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Interesting Choice Of Midland Targets

GERMAN AIMEN, ENCOURAGED BY HEAVY CLOUDS, WERE ABLE TO PRACTICE INDIVIDUAL LOW-FLYING ATTACKS YESTERDAY, STATES THE AIR MINISTRY NEWS SERVICE.

NAZI GUN POSITIONS STRAFED

An Air Ministry communiqué states that gun emplacements on the French coast between Calais and Boulogne were heavily attacked by R.A.F. bombers on Thursday night after our convoy had been shelled in the Channel.

Our aircraft encountered intense A.A. fire but maintained the attack for several hours.

Targets in Germany bombed during the night include a synthetic oil plant at Bottrol, an aircraft factory at Frankfurt, a power station at Knapsack, near Cologne, a high explosives factory at Griesheim, near Frankfurt, and docks at the Rhine port of Duisburg.

Railway junctions at Mannheim and Coblenz were attacked and goods sidings at Hamm and Soest bombed, as usual.

Attacks were also made on 22 aerodromes in German and occupied territory.

The strong bomber force engaged in these operations returned safely except that one aircraft made a forced landing and the crew were killed. — Reuter.

AMERICAN DESTROYERS ON THE MOVE

The departure of four United States old-type destroyers from the Canal Zone to the east coast of the United States is announced.

The step is regarded by American observers in Panama as indication that the United States is preparing to take speedy steps regarding the sale of such vessels to Britain.

Yesterday the Chicago "Daily News" made an outspoken plea for the disposal of destroyers to Britain, and says:

Among interesting targets they selected were the streets of a spa, the grass of a race course, cottages of a small village and a police station, all of which were in the Midlands.

The spa's streets and the police station were machine-gunned and the race course and village were dealt with with bombs. There was one casualty in the village.

German bombers also tried to machine-gun anti-aircraft sites but that was more dangerous.

Lewis gunners on the north-east coast claimed their first anti-aircraft victory before dawn yesterday morning. They caught a Junkers 88 bomber as it swept over them and sent it crashing into the sea. Shortly before midday, A.A. gunners brought down a Dornier 215 in Cambridgeshire. Three-inch guns damaged the machine just sufficiently to make the pilot land, and all five of the crew were taken prisoner.

Belgian Ace

One of the German bombers destroyed on Thursday was shot down by a Belgian fighter pilot. It was the fifth enemy aircraft to be destroyed by him since he joined a Fighter Command squadron a month ago after escaping with his wife and baby from Belgium.

His latest victim was a Junkers 88 which he spotted while he was on patrol off the south Devon coast. When attacked, the Junkers dropped its bombs into the sea, caught fire and crashed. — Reuter.

Official Communiqué

An Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communiqué states that reports received up to 4 p.m. (G.M.T.) show that enemy activities over Britain yesterday consisted of attacks by a small number of aircraft operating singly in widely separated areas. Indiscriminate machine-gun attacks were made in various places in the Midlands and in one Eastern district. A small number of casualties were caused by these attacks but none were fatal.

Three more enemy aircraft have been shot down, two by our fighters and one by A.A. fire, making the total four for the day. It has now been established that our fighters shot down another enemy during Thursday's air battles, bringing Thursday's total to 10. — Reuter.

President Roosevelt, Mr. Wendell Willkie and public opinion all favour the sale.

The paper deplores the legal quibbling on the subject. — Reuter.

SOVIETS KEEP UP PRETENCES

Yesterday was the anniversary of the Soviet-German Non-Aggression Pact, which set the bounds of war loose in Europe.

Commenting on the anniversary, "Isvestia" stated: "The past year has fully proved the immense historical significance of the pact which has withstood the trials of the present stormy period and proved in unshakable firmness notwithstanding that the enemies of Germany and the Soviet are tirelessly attempting to sow discord between the two countries.

"To-day, as a year ago, the peoples of the Soviet Union acclaim this historic treaty which has so greatly contributed to the preservation of peace in the whole of Eastern Europe." — Reuter.

ATTEMPT TO SCARE EGYPT

Referring to a Cairo report that an Egyptian mobile division has taken up position beside British troops to repel an Italian invasion, authoritative circles in Rome cited by the official Stefani Agency, state that if this proves to be a fact, Italy could not remain indifferent.

If Egypt had decided to make common cause with Britain and proceeded to take action against Italy, that would alter the present state of affairs and Italy would reply. — Reuter.

GERMAN GUNS ON RAILWAY MOUNTINGS?

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent says that military circles believe that the German guns firing across the Channel are 12-inch perhaps bigger, possibly on railway mountings which are moved from the site after firing.

After examining yesterday's negative results, experts, while admitting the nuisance value of the guns, consider that the Nazi effort to close the Channel by shellfire can be no more successful than costly air attacks. — Reuter.

H.K. CONTRIBUTION TO RED CROSS

The Lord Mayor's Red Cross Fund has now reached £2,666,000, says a Reuter message from London. Latest contributions include £5,941 from Hong Kong's

GERMAN RAIDER NEAR N.Z.

The New Zealand Prime Minister, Mr. Peter Fraser, announced in Wellington yesterday that the British steamer Turakina (8,700 tons) sent a message from Tasmania on Tuesday stating she was being fired on by a raider.

No further message had been received from the vessel which was due in a New Zealand port on Thursday night.

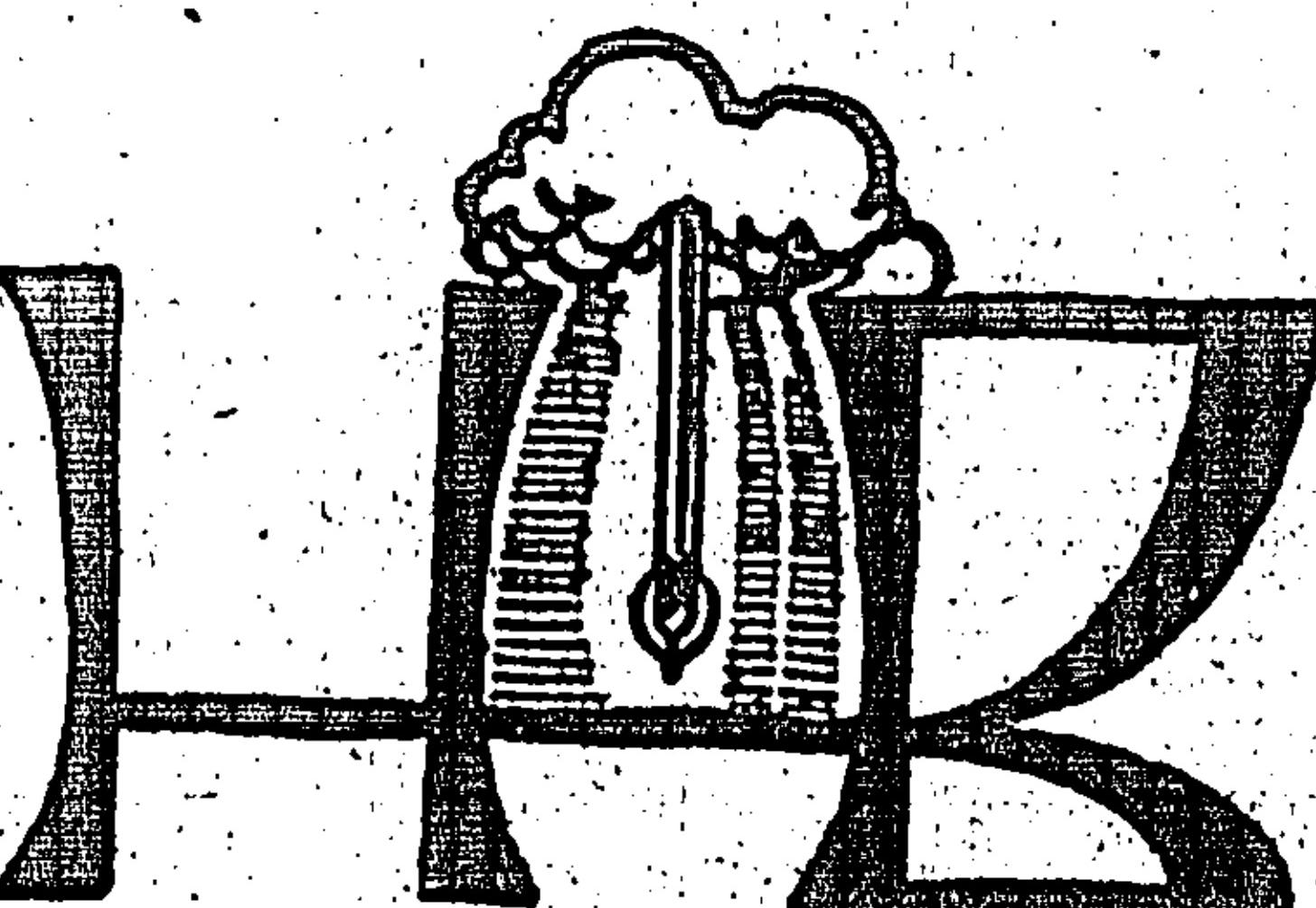
The New Zealand naval and air forces were continuing the search for the raider. — Reuter.

TWO MORE ITALIAN SUBMARINES SUNK

With the sinking of two Italian submarines—in addition to the destruction of a destroyer and a submarine depot ship—during a low-flying raid by British planes at Bomba, Libya, Italian submarine losses since the beginning of the war now total nearly 20. — Reuter.

British War Organisation Fund making that branch's total contribution £25,941.

HAVE AN H.B.—



—AND THEN TRY!



Mrs. Daisy Candwell, a North-East Coast L.D.V. Officer, who has been awarded the O.B.E. for bravery in capturing a German airman who came down by parachute in a field alongside her house. The airman was a pilot of a Junkers machine brought down by Spitfires. (Copyright, Fox).

AN EERIE EXPERIENCE

SEAMEN IN SHELLED CONVOY TELL STORY

THE EERIE EXPERIENCE of finding themselves among bursting shells without any visible projecting agency was described by the crews of British ships which docked at a south-east coast port last night.

They were in the convoy which was bombarded by German long-range guns in the Channel on Thursday.

"When the first shells fell near us, we wondered what was happening," declared an A.A. gunner in one of the leading vessels.

"I had had experience of shelling in a previous encounter," asserted that the English anything like this before.

"You can see what is coming when bombs drop but with shells you just see a flash and then wait."

Once the crews had ascertained the origin of the shells and noticed they were all falling wide of the mark, however, they regarded the novelty with only faint interest.

Not So Dangerous

The recent confident Ministerial assertion that the English Channel remains the English Channel is so far not in the least impaired by these "Big Bertha" tactics, according to other members of the crews.

They declared that the long-range shelling was much less dangerous than the squadron of Messerschmidts which dive-bombed the convoy after the guns from shore ceased fire. "Although our gunners gave them something to think about too," added one stolid Scottish skipper.—Reuter.

ANTI-JEWISH MOVES BY VICHY

The official Nazi news agency yesterday quoted "Inter France," which is described as a paper "closely allied with the Vichy Government," in which a writer discusses the Jewish question in France has become acute and calls for suspension of the decree of April 26, 1939, for the protection of Jews.—Reuter.

LETTERS TO OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

It is notified that the arrangements published in Government Notification 312 of 12th March, 1940, regarding communications to enemy countries have now been extended to cover communications for persons residing in Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, German occupied France, Germany, Holland, Italy, Italian possessions, Luxembourg, Norway, German occupied Poland and the Channel Islands.

The conditions are as in the previous Notification quoted above except as follows: Letters must be in English or in the language of the country for which they are intended (except Czech). Erasures are not permitted, and letters must omit the senders' addresses. No reference is allowed to any locality or journey in Great Britain.

Where replies are required they should be addressed to the senders c/o Post Box 500, Lisbon (Lisbon, in the case of Germany or German occupied territory).

SIR OLIVER LODGE

Among the many messages of sympathy received in Britain over the death of Sir Oliver Lodge, the noted scientist, is a cable from Mr. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Prime Minister.—Reuter.

BRITISH ARTILLERY REPLIES TO NAZI BIG BERTHAS

ON THURSDAY NIGHT, BRITISH LONG-RANGE ARTILLERY ON THE COAST REPLIED TO THE NAZI SHELLING OF THE KENTISH COAST, IT WAS ANNOUNCED IN LONDON YESTERDAY.

Only a few rounds were fired, and German news sources state that the shells fell in the neighbourhood of the Calais region.

Observers who visited the scene of the German shelling yesterday said that the shell craters were not very large and since most of the heavy missiles fell in the roadway, the damage done was not extensive.

Indeed, this shelling has brought out the fact that the main danger comes from broken or flying glass.

A church was damaged, one wall being gone and its windows smashed and twisted; the altar was untouched.

People whose homes were damaged are taking the matter with amazing confidence, observers report. There are no signs of panic; they are already used to air bombing and seem determined to get used to anything.—Reuter.

German Reports

Berlin has, as usual, been giving out different accounts of the shelling by the German coastal batteries in France.

One message says that an attack was made on a convoy by German planes and not by coastal batteries, the implication being that the coastal batteries were not in action.

A second says that the batteries were firing "for practice" and were not aimed at the convoy.—Reuter.

CRACK NEW PLANES FROM AMERICA

New types of aircraft are now being produced in the United States, and details about two of them—a fighter and a bomber—have now been released.

Major-General Arnhold, Chief of the U.S. Army Air Command, unveiled the fighter at Los Angeles.

Known as the P-38, it is said to be the fastest in the world, with a speed of around 500 miles an hour and a cruising range of 1,100 miles. Twin-engined, it is a single-seater fitted with one quick-firing cannon and five machine-guns.

Lockheeds, who are building it, state that Britain has ordered 800 at a cost of £15,000,000.

Major-General Arnhold also revealed that a new bomber, the biggest in the world, will take the air this autumn. It will be able to fly from New York to Europe and then back to Los Angeles.

Air correspondents in London newspapers yesterday spoke of bombers now in production for the Royal Air Force which will surpass the Wellingtons, Whitleys and Handleys now performing good service.

No details are given, of course, but the correspondents say that the new planes are remarkably easy to manoeuvre considering their size.—Reuter.

REMOVED FROM LISTS OF CHIVALRY

The King yesterday commanded the removal from lists of honorary members of British Orders of Chivalry and from the Roll of foreign holders of British decorations and medals, all persons of German and Italian nationality. — Reuter.

PASSENGER AIR-LINER DISASTER

Fourteen lost their lives when a passenger plane from Bucharest to Vienna made a forced landing in mountainous country east of Arad, in western Rumania near the Hungarian frontier yesterday, says a Bucharest despatch to the German news agency.

Four of the remaining seven passengers are stated to have been injured. The plane was completely destroyed.—Reuter.

HEAVY R.A.F. RAID WATCHED

The flashes of German anti-aircraft guns in the direction of Boulogne were seen from the south-east coast late last night.

They began shortly before 9 p.m. and dotted the French coast line along several miles, seemingly indicating that an R.A.F. raid of unusual proportions was in progress.

Occasionally more diffused flashes, believed to be caused by bombs, lit the sky.—Reuter.

1,008

SINCE JUNE 18, 1,008 GERMAN PLANES HAVE BEEN DESTROYED AROUND BRITAIN.

Since the middle of May, R.A.F. bombers have dropped 100,000 tons of bombs on nearly 600 military targets in Germany, targets which were chosen for their importance to the Nazi war machine.

R.A.F. bombers flew 3,000,000 miles in the same period.—Reuter.



RED CROSS HQS. LONDON ENG

Acting on the suggestion made by Sandy Mutch, a private in the Canadian army, Deanna Durbin sent 500 recordings of her own songs to the headquarters of the British Red Cross in London. The records will be distributed among hospitals, training camps and field bases of the British and French forces. Mutch wrote to the star, telling of the loneliness of a soldier's life and suggested that it might be lightened if arrangements could be made for Deanna's songs to be heard by the soldiers.

EYE-WITNESS OF RAID

Swedish Seaman's Evidence Of R.A.F. Attack

ITALIANS IN WHAT IS LEFT OF CAPUZZO

"The enemy has again occupied what is left of Fort Capuzzo after the naval bombardment on August 17," stated last night's war communiqué in Cairo. — Reuter.

P.W.D. LIGHTING CONTROL

The draft has been published of an Ordinance to amend the Public Lighting Ordinance, 1914.

Section 2 of the principal Ordinance is as follows:

"It shall be lawful for the Director of Public Works to cause a sufficient number of posts, standards and brackets for the lighting of the public or private streets, roads, ways and thoroughfares of the Colony to be provided and to be set up, fixed or erected in all suitable situations for such lighting, whether in any of the said streets, roads, ways or thoroughfares or in any place adjacent thereto or upon or against the wall of any house or building or the side of any wall or fence, or elsewhere, as he may think proper; and it shall also be lawful for him to cause to be provided and put up and affixed upon the said posts, standards and brackets such a number of lamps and of such sizes and sorts respectively as may be found requisite for the lighting of the said streets, roads, ways and thoroughfares respectively."

In view of the fact that when the Ordinance was passed, motor traffic was in its infancy and no provision was made for the beacons and traffic control lights which are now such a common feature of street lighting, doubts have been expressed as to whether the section is wide enough to cover such additional lights which are however, like the ordinary lamp-post, intended to give greater protection to the public users of thoroughfares.

Clause 2 of the draft Bill is intended to remove those doubts by the addition of suitable words wherever required in the section.

PICNIC FOR BLIND

Sir.—The Christ Church Group of the V.D.M.A. intend to hold a picnic for the blind women of the Industrial Home, Pokfulam, on Saturday the 5th October. This will be the 14th year in succession that this picnic has been held.

May we, through the columns of your paper, appeal for generous support from the people in Hong Kong. We fully realise how numerous and how great are the demands that are being made at this time on the generosity of everyone, but we feel that it would be a very great pity if these blind women were to be neglected. The majority of us, who have full possession of all our faculties, will readily appreciate how greatly such small kindnesses as this annual outing help to alleviate the dreariness of those whose lives are spent in total darkness.

For several years past the women of the Pokfulam Home have learned to look forward to the annual outing as one of the few really happy events in their year. We sincerely hope that it will not be necessary to disappont them this year.

Gifts of money and/or the loan of motor cars for the afternoon will be greatly appreciated. Will all who are willing to help, please communicate with me, c/o Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd.

Gertrude Goddard (Mrs.)
Hon. Group Secretary.

Only Skeleton Of Objective Left Upright

THE SWEDISH NEWSPAPER "Dagens Nyheter" yesterday published an interview with a Swedish seaman describing a British bombing attack on a German port.

The seaman said: "One night Hell broke loose 200 yards from our ship from an attack by only one British plane."

The attack was a complete surprise. The bomber dropped a flare and then dived, dropping like a stone, towards factory buildings.

"Two hundred yards from the ground it turned sharply and dropped its bombs. We heard the cries of anti-aircraft men as they were swept off the factory roof."

"The bomber withdrew to the clouds for another 15 minutes and then dropped a further flare. The factory again shone out and we could see the damage done to one of the buildings."

Whole Range Went

"Now came the true direct hit. The whole range of buildings flamed up and a large number of completed aircraft were destroyed."

"For an hour and 40 minutes the machine made continuous attacks and dropped well-aimed bombs."

"Of the whole range of factory buildings only the steel skeleton was left but in the report for that day the British bombing was described as "without object!"

DOCTOR FINED FOR PAMPHLET

A doctor who wrote a pamphlet on evacuation which it was held might have caused a panic, was fined £100 or three months' imprisonment at Brighton.

Dr. Ralph Lyndall Worrall, of Hillcote, Ainsworth Avenue, Ovingdean, formerly school medical officer attending children evacuated to Brighton, pleaded guilty to acting in a way likely to interfere with the essential work of services.

It was alleged that he prepared on May 31 a typewritten pamphlet of which 250 copies were duplicated.

Contents of the pamphlet were not disclosed, but Mr. H. S. R. Rogers, prosecuting, said they were likely to cause panic, upset the evacuation arrangements and interfere with people mentioned in the pamphlet who were carrying out essential services.

Defending counsel, Mr. Eric Neve, K.C., said Dr. Worrall held "left" political views, but his loyalty could not be questioned.

PROMOTIONS IN H.K.V.D.C.

The following official appointments, etc., have been gazetted:

Mr. P. D. A. Chidell to be an Examiner, War Taxation Department.

Major T. A. Martin to be Lieutenant-Colonel in the H.K.V.D.C.

Local rank of "Colonel" granted to Lieutenant-Colonel H. B. Rose of the H.K.V.D.C.

Miss M. Pearson to be a Mississ. Education Department.

Miss R. Hobbs to be a Nursing Sister.

Miss M. J. Rainey to be a Nursing Sister.

Mr. E. Hausmann to be in charge of the Swiss Consulate.

81 'PLANES IN RAID ON CHUNGKING

Raiding Chungking for the third time within the week, 81 Japanese bombers in two waves dropped tons of explosives on the South Bank, Japan's self-designed "Safety Zone" shortly before the noon hour, yesterday.

The raiders, entering the Chungking sky from the north-east, concentrated on several localities in the residential South Bank. Worst damage was done to the Haitang-chi sector by fires caused by incendiaries.

Madame Chiang Kai-shek made a round of inspection in the afternoon, personally assisting in relief work.

Japan, without the replacement capacity of Germany, commented a Chinese military spokesman, can never make an imitation aerial blitzkrieg pay dividends in the larger profit-and-loss account of the war, despite its persistency and indiscriminate destruction of property and human lives.

In view of Japan's shortage of industrial resources, said the spokesman, the more frequent the raids on Chungking and other cities in the interior, the greater will be the senseless waste of bombs.

With her armies stalled on all the China fronts, repeated air attacks on civilian populations serve no purpose in the military sense.

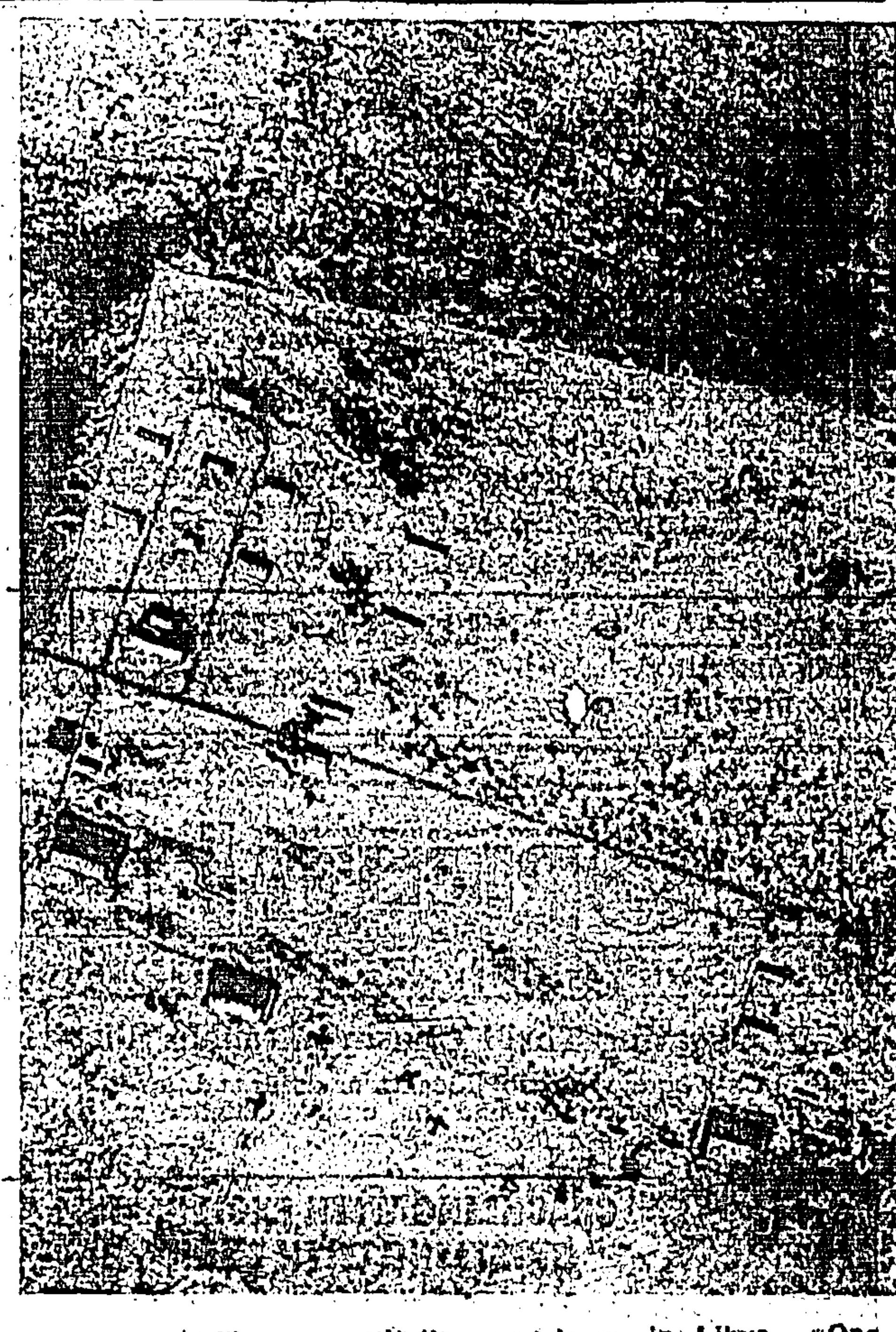
—Central News.

COMPULSORY SERVICE

The following persons, of ages from 18 to 45 years inclusive, have been enrolled in the Hong Kong Defence Reserve: — Adams, Robert; George (A.); Barber, Norman Charles (C.); Baynes, Eric Neville (B.); Campbell, Duncan McInroy (B.); Cherry, Robert Maitland (B.); Eager, Cyril Thomas (A.); Farrar, James Leslie (C.); Fenton, John Cecil (A.); Garside, Frank Ronald (B.); Greenhalgh, William Robert (A.); Hunt, Frederick James (C.); Kim, Nicolas (A.); Mackay, Collin Hector (B.); Maher, Antonio Paulo (A.); Passmore, William John Dudley (C.); Rapp, Frederick Austin (A.); Stephen, Alastair James (C.); Williams, Edward Samuel (A.); Willoughby, George (C.); Zavaruhin, Stephen Poul (B.).

SAFEGUARDING THE MINORITIES

The Arabic press, discussing the Indian Congress Committee resolution at Wardha points out that the British Government's refusal to accept the extreme Hindu demands is due to desire to safeguard the rights of minorities, of whom the 90 million Moslems are the most considerable. — Reuter.



Bombs falling on an Italian aerodrome in Libya. One building has been hit and another four bombs are on their way. The dark crooked line between the two larger buildings is a shelter trench. (Copyright, Fox).

LEAP FORWARD IN BRITISH AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION

BRITISH AIRCRAFT production figures are little short of astounding by comparison with the output at the outbreak of war, Reuter's air-war correspondent learns.

Naturally no exact estimate of the extent to which production exceeds the German can be given but authoritative quarters state that even if she had to start from scratch, Britain could now match the total German air force of a year ago within 12 months.

A.D.C. TO GOVERNOR

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to appoint the following as his Honorary Aides-de-Camp:

Captain Henrique Alberto de Barros Botelho, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Mr. Fung Fung-fun, St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade.

Mr. Ts'o Tsun-on, Hong Kong Police Reserve.

Subadar Major Hoshiyar Singh, 1st Kumaon Rifles.

Mr. Kenneth Andrew Bidmead, Hong Kong Police.

Acting Lieutenant Thomas Maurice Parsons, Hong Kong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.

Lieutenant John Paul Gunnery, Royal Navy.

Second Lieutenant Brian Alfred Fergus, 2nd Battalion, The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment).

Lieutenant Gordon Patrick Ferguson, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Flight Lieutenant Maxwell Norman Oxford, Reserve of Air Force Officers.

At that time the German air fleet was estimated at 30,000 to 35,000 aircraft, including training planes.

So, if the Germans are producing 1,800 planes a month, as is generally accepted, this rate must have been exceeded by a considerable margin, and that level takes no account of American supplies.

The widespread interest in the rapidity with which the new giant R.A.F. bomber is being created is proved by numerous applications submitted to the Ministry of Aircraft Production to view the factories but all received the reply that the Minister cannot permit anything that will in the smallest degree interfere with production.

It is a rule which even Lord Beaverbrook himself follows, that is, to keep away and let the men get on with the job, except when his presence is absolutely necessary. — Reuter.

Heavy Regiment, Royal Artillery.

Subadar Major Sultan Bux, 5th Anti-Aircraft Regiment, Royal Artillery.

Flight Lieutenant Maxwell Norman Oxford, Reserve of Air Force Officers.



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Vichy's Ingenious Faith In Value Of Nazi Promise

M. BAUDOUIN'S INGENIOUS faith in Nazi promises is remarked in authoritative circles in London, commenting on inaccuracies in his broadcast statements on Thursday night.

It is stated in official quarters that there is no truth in the allegation made by Marshal Petain's Foreign Minister that definite proposals were made from Vichy on August 2 concerning food supplies.

In fact, it is stated, no official proposals on this subject have reached the British Government from Vichy since the departure of the French Embassy from London.

M. Baudouin's more general statement that the British Government is preventing the arrival of certain surpluses from French overseas possessions causes no surprise in London, in view of the policy of the accumulation of surpluses clearly explained by the Prime Minister in his speech on Wednesday.

It is noted that the only guarantee that M. Baudouin is about to produce against the misappropriation of such surpluses by Germany is the promise of the Nazi Government.

No independent Frenchman would take such promises seriously and M. Baudouin's ingenious faith betrays once again the extent to which the Vichy Government is compelled to act as the mouthpiece of Berlin.—Reuter.

A.R.P. WOMEN AS MIDWIVES

With the dull thuds of bombs dropping in the distance and anti-aircraft guns thundering overhead, two women ambulance attendants acted as midwives in a public air raid shelter in a north-east town to a twenty-two-year-old woman when she gave birth to a boy.

The mother is Mrs. Josephine Fishburn, and she and her baby are in hospital, both reported to be "doing fine."

The attendants, who were amateur midwives, are Mrs. E. Taylor aged thirty-six, mother of four children, and Miss Hilda Delafield, aged thirty-one.

There were four families—about fifteen people—in the shelter, a basement in a row of houses strengthened as a public shelter—when the baby was born.

Mrs. Fishburn, who has a boy aged three, had been in the shelter about two hours, with her mother, Mrs. Annie Smith, when she became ill. Mrs. Smith dashed into the street and called an A.R.P. warden. He summoned an ambulance staffed by two women.

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In terrific heat, shots were taken to show 100-ton ingots forged into big guns. The white-hot masses are shown squeezed down by huge presses, turned on giant lathes and polished to a flawless finish.

Other processes in arms production shown in the film are riveting of toughened armour plates on to giant tanks; fitting aeroplane fuselages; tail assemblies and engine rigging for fighter production; ear-cracking shipbuilding; the quiet use of set squares and slide rules; and the manufacture of Bren guns.

SOLDIERS HAVE TO LIE ON PLATFORMS

Complaint of the welfare arrangements for soldiers at four London stations—Euston, King's Cross, St. Pancras and Liverpool Street—was made in the Commons.

Mr. D. Robertson (Con., Streatham) said: "Night after night and day after day thousands of soldiers are lying on the platforms and in the mail vans, and there is no adequate rest room accommodation for them. Catering facilities are forced out into the extremities of the station."

Mr. Richard Law, Financial Secretary to the War Office, replied that efforts were being made to improve the accommodation.

BATTERED DOORS TO GET INTO RAID SHELTER

Allegations that residents of a London district had to batter down the doors before they could get into a street air raid shelter during the air raid alarm are likely to be mentioned in Parliament.

CANADIAN FREIGHTER SUNK

The "New York Maritime Register" stated yesterday that the Canadian cargo steamer "Geraldine Mary" (7,244 tons) has been sunk "by enemy action" off the coast of Ireland. Three lives were lost.—Reuter.

SCHOOLGIRL AND YOUTH SHOT DEAD

A fourteen-year-old schoolgirl and a farmhand, aged nineteen, were found shot dead at Woodham Ferrers, Chelmsford.

They were Ann Mulrhead, who lived with her parents at the local post office, and John Cottis, of Elmroyd. They had known each other since early childhood but are believed to have quarrelled recently.

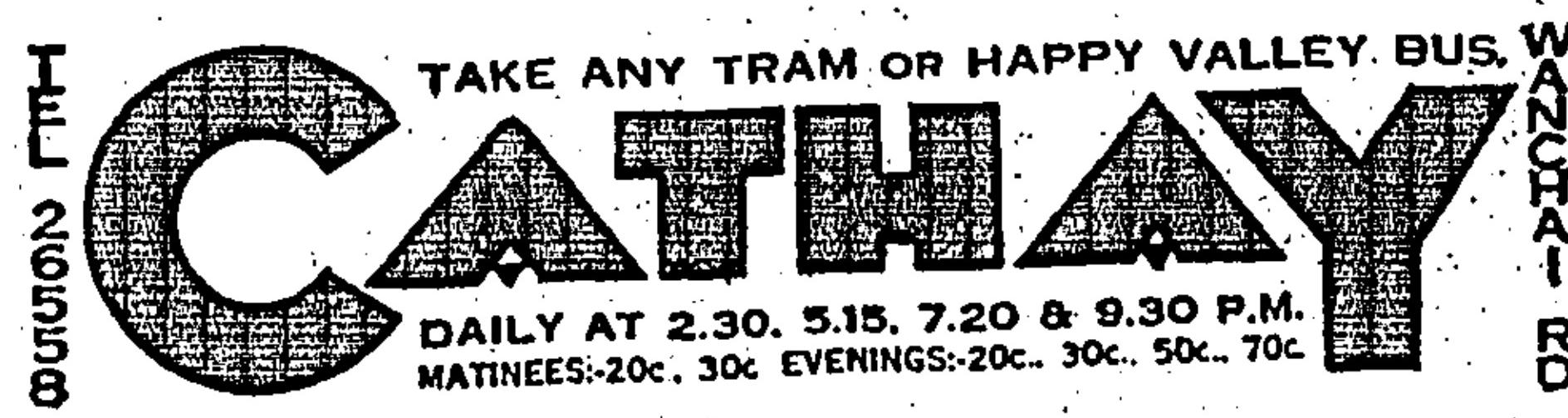
The girl was on her way to deliver newspapers at a farm when a shot was fired and she fell dead. Shortly afterwards Cottis was found shot through the head in a field at the back of his home. A shotgun was lying beside him.

Ann attended Chelmsford High School for Girls.

did their job well. We are grateful to them. My daughter was a brick, too.

"Mother and baby remained in the shelter for another half an hour till the All Clear was sounded then were taken to hospital.

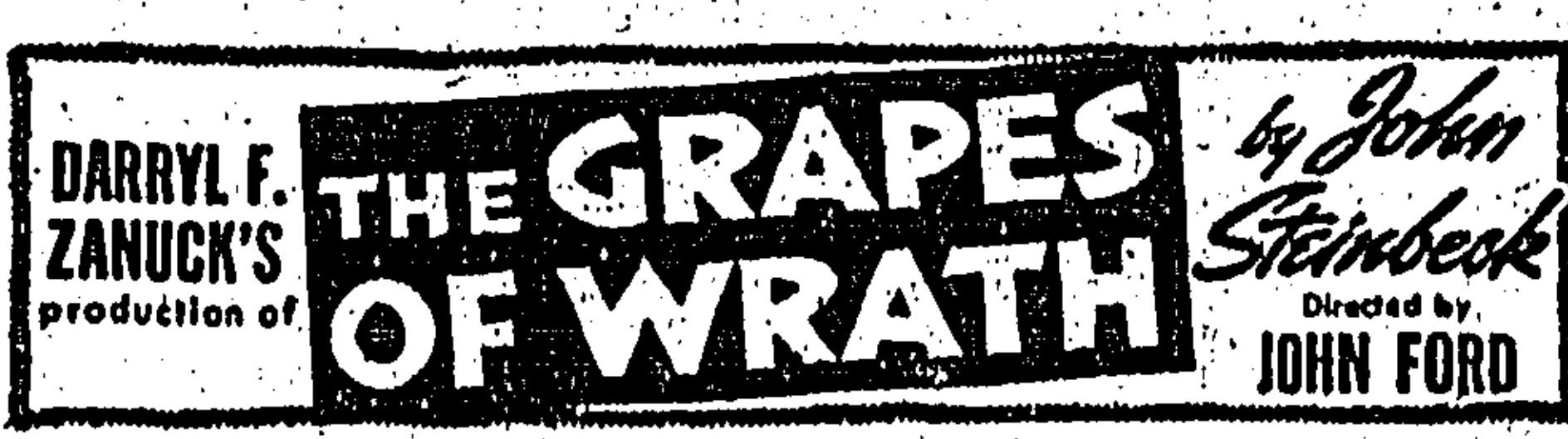
Mrs. Taylor and Miss Delafield dismissed their work by saying, "Well, it was hardly what we expected to do as first-aid workers in an air raid, but we are glad the mother and baby are doing well."



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HE LED CALAIS HEROES

The hero of the defence of Calais has at last been named. He is Brigadier Claude Nicholson, aged forty-one, now a prisoner of war.

With 3,000 British and 1,000 French troops, he carried out the order: "Hold Calais to the end." He did—and saved the B.E.F. He spurned the German demand for surrender, and for four days his forces kept back two German divisions while the B.E.F. embarked at Dunkirk.

Outnumbered, outgunned, short of food and ammunition, the Calais defenders fought on—still there was silence.

Bernard Gray, War Correspondent, knew Brigadier Nicholson in France. Here is his story of their last meeting:

It was a plainly furnished bedroom in a hotel in Arles—then Lieutenant-Colonel Claude Nicholson—raised his glass and said: "We're going to win this war, boys. Who's going to give in to a lot of Boches?"

A quiet, unassuming man. The kind of man who says very little. The man who stands in a corner and smiles quietly when you have a party. But listen to what Winston Churchill said:

"The British commander was given an hour to surrender. He spurned the offer, and four days of intense fighting passed before a silence reigned over Calais.

"Only thirty unwounded survivors were brought off by the Navy, and we do not know the fate of their comrades...."

Called "Hitler"

That was Nic. I know exactly how he would "spurn" the German offer.

"To hell with them," he would say. "What do they think we are? A bunch of pacifists?"

He served in the last war, and never mentioned it. He had a little black moustache. In fact, I once heard someone nickname him Hitler—though no man ever hated Hitler more than he did.

A professional soldier, from his schooldays.

Winchester led to Sandhurst. Sandhurst, in the days of the last war, to France. Afterwards, Syria, Egypt, Palestine, and India.

It grieved him to think that the cavalry—and particularly his old regiment, the 16th Lancers—had been mechanised.

The last thing he said to an officer friend of mine was: "Let 'em come. There'll be no giving way here."

So when the Germans demanded surrender, he followed the traditions of the British Army.

He just told them to "go to hell."

EX-SOLDIER

LENTS HIS PAY

Bradford, home of the golden fleece, where wat millionaires are made, leads Yorkshire, in the way it is lending its money to the Government interest free.

One firm of wool merchants has lent £200,000, another £50,000 and others smaller amounts.

At the other end of the scale—a Bradford ex-soldier, who is engaged on first aid duties after being unable to work for four years through illness arising from the last war, has written to the Lord Mayor, stating he is willing to have 10s. a week stopped from his pay. The money is to be lent to the Government interest free, to be paid back at 10s. a week after the war.

Altogether Yorkshire has lent £65,000 interest free.

THE LINK TALKS OF PEACE

Mr. J. J. Davidson, Socialist M.P. for Maryhill, Glasgow, wants to know if the Home Secretary is aware "that ex-members of the pro-Nazi organisation, The Link, met in London recently and discussed the question of peace terms under a sympathetic Government."

He is to raise the question in the House of Commons.

"I have every reason to believe that ex-members of the Link discussed the chances of a negotiated peace with Hitler," Mr. Davidson told a reporter.

Carried To Safety

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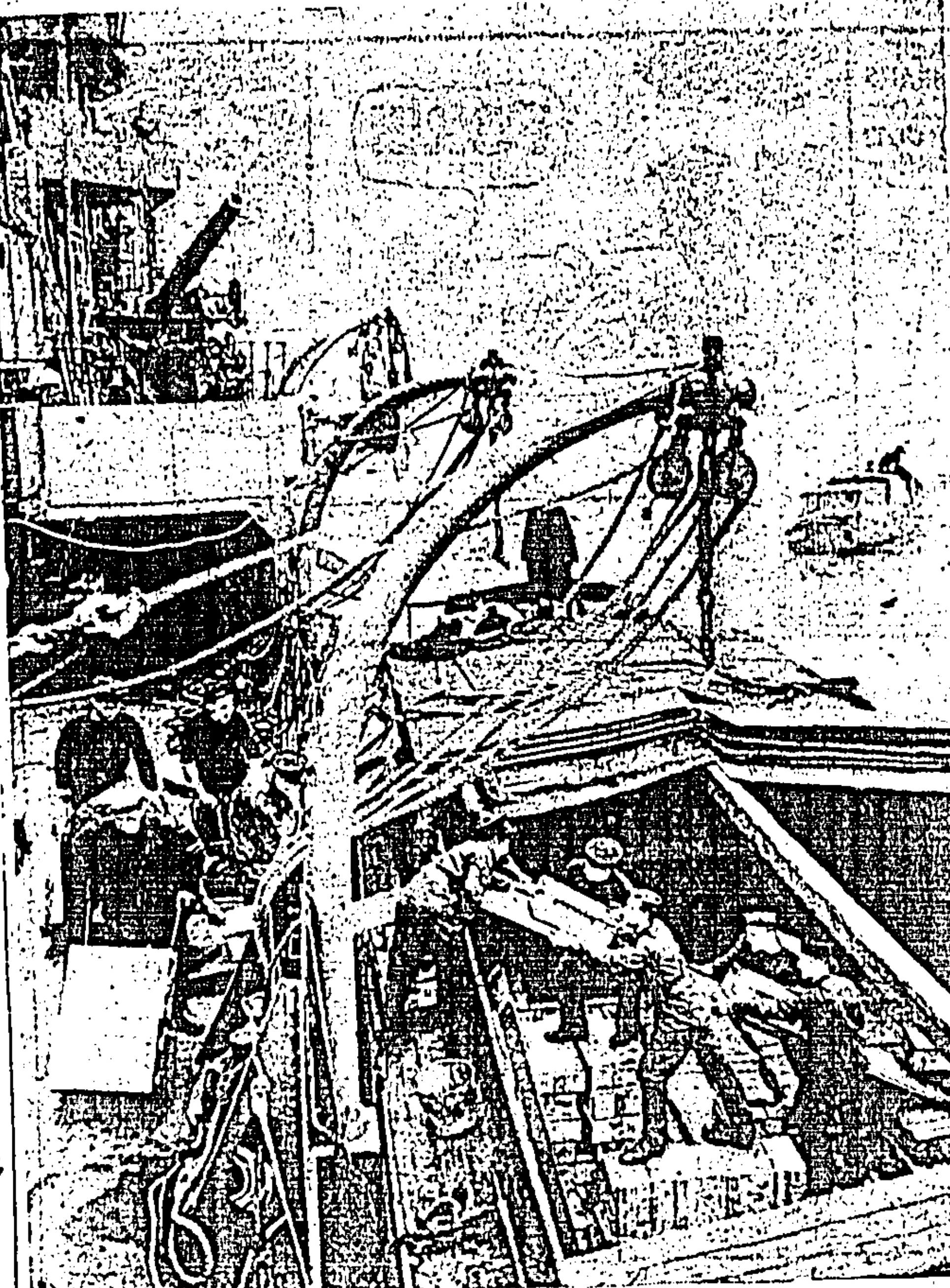
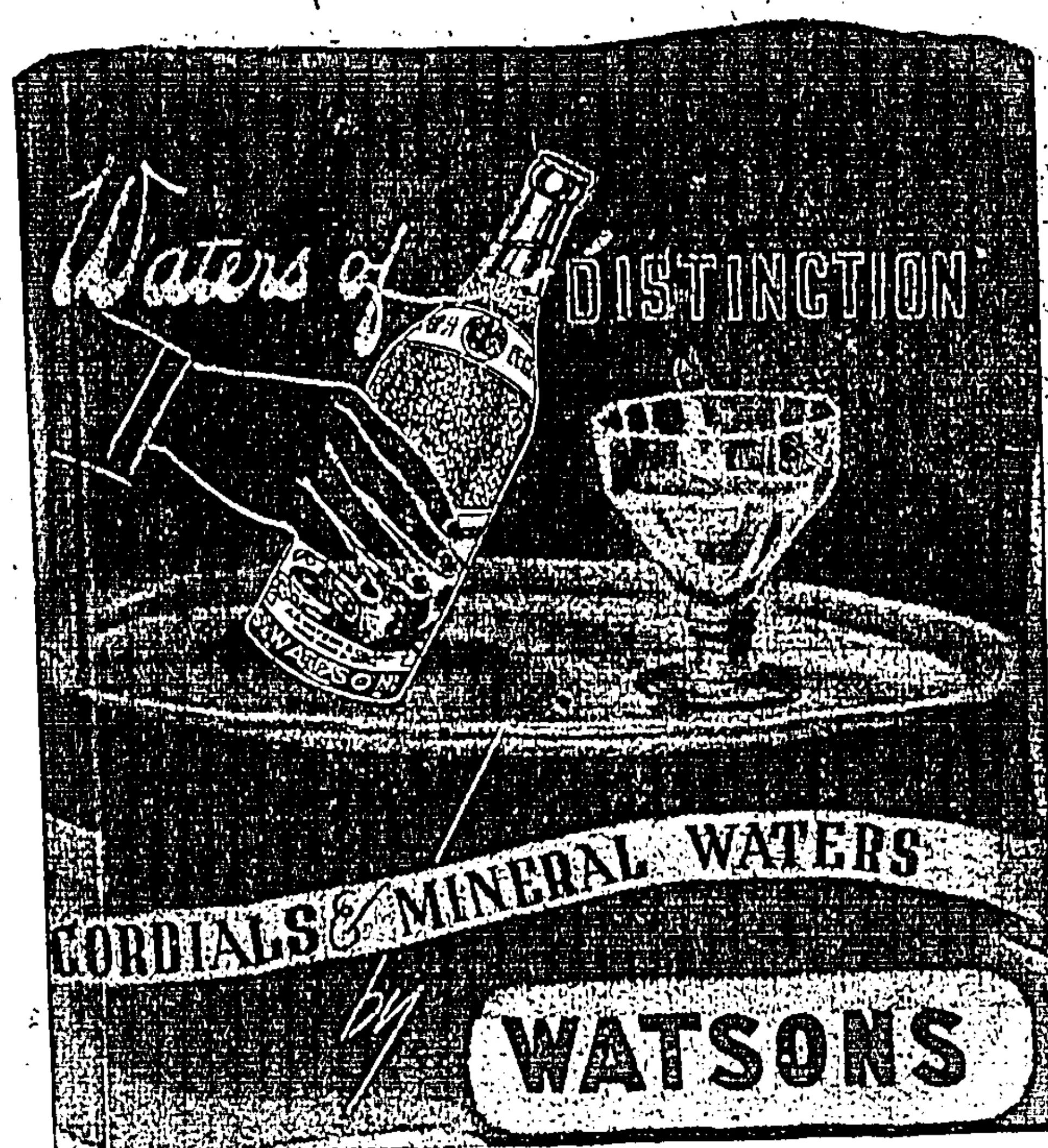
D. S. O.—Lieutenant-Colonel James Brower Gartside, Lancashire Fusiliers; Lieutenant

come to terms with the enemy. The ex-Link group apparently want a sympathetic British Government—that is to say, a Government sympathetic to the dictators.

"This sort of thing has got to be stopped," added Mr. Davidson.

"If I get no satisfaction from the Home Secretary, I shall raise the matter on the adjournment."

I am determined to expose the activities of persons who seek to



A cruiser taking on board multiple gun ammunition before proceeding to sea for another spell of duty. This is only one of the vast preparations which have to be made when a ship comes home to refit. (Copyright, Fox).

Major Held Bridge, Got The D.S.O.

A MAJOR, WHO, with one company, held a bridge against the Germans for three days with such watchfulness that no German was allowed to appear in sight and live, has been awarded the D.S.O.

Even when the company on his right rear was attacked and the flank company of the battalion on his left withdrew, he held on until the whole brigade was withdrawn.

He is Major S. T. James, M.B.E., of the East Lancashire Regiment, who is among fifteen officers and men to whom awards have been made.

The M.C. goes to Captain C. V. B. Bird, of the King's Own, who was in command of a detachment. Although his position had been outflanked by the withdrawal of neighbouring troops, he restored the situation and re-established his defensive position.

Later, when ordered to withdraw, he extricated his detachment under considerable enemy pressure with practically no loss.

Saved Wounded

Second Lieutenant John Rigg Musgrave, The Border Regiment, who is also awarded the M.C., was ordered on the night of May 22 to remain in position until 11 p.m. to cover the withdrawal of the battalion.

At this hour it was found that neighbouring troops were withdrawing across and through our position. Second Lieutenant Musgrave showed initiative and a cool courage in deciding to hold off the enemy for a further period thus allowing these troops to cross a bridge and reach safety before the bridge was blown.

The Military Medal is awarded to Lance-Bombardier T. C. Robson, R.A., who under heavy fire from artillery and light automatic weapons, went back to his damaged gun to drag a wounded sergeant to safety.

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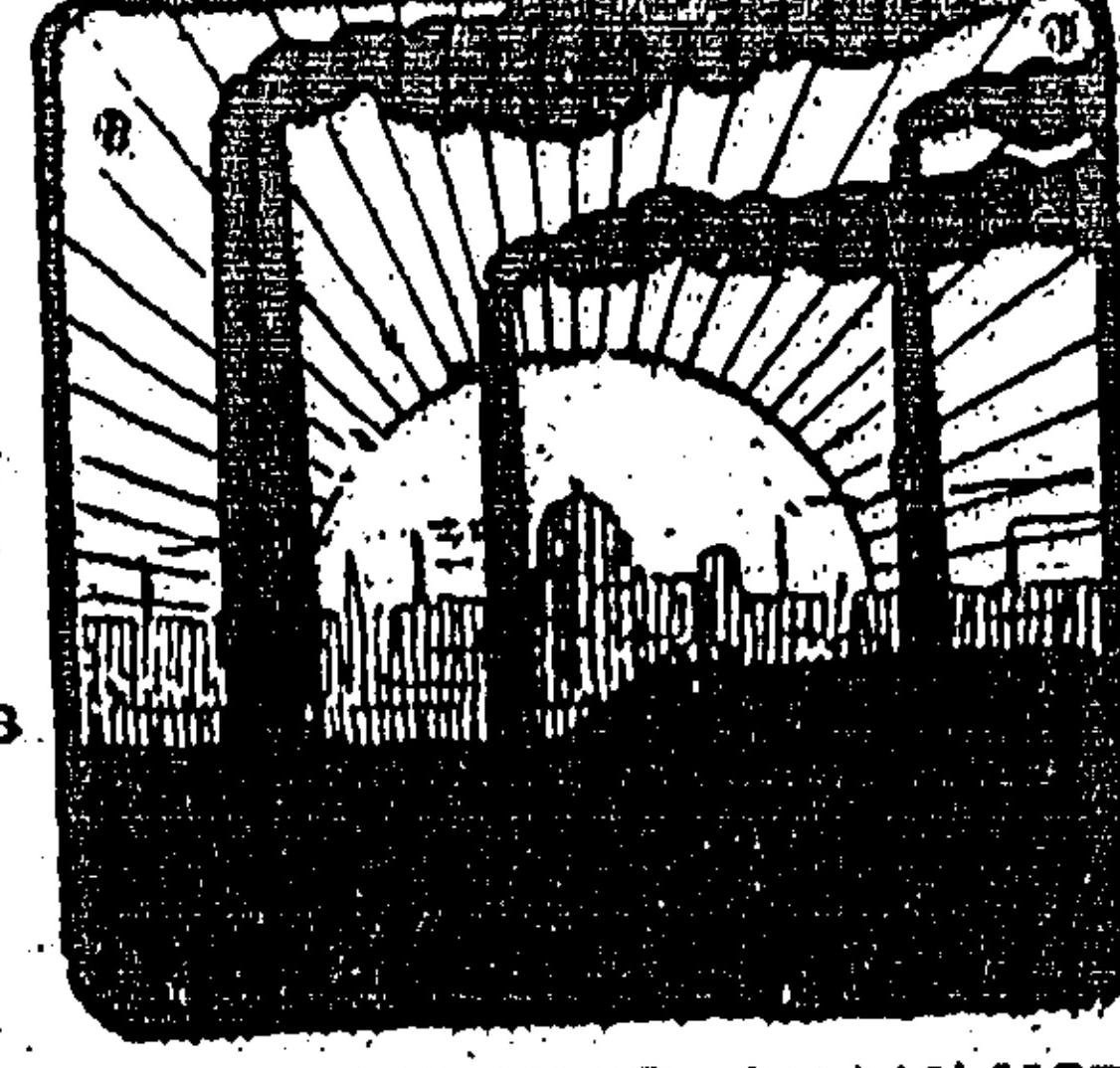
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BURMA ROAD

The Burma Road agreement may have been signed—but the issue is not being permitted to lose itself in forgetfulness.

Questions in the Commons this week and the deputation of the China Campaign Committee to Mr. Butler are an expression of a widespread feeling, not only that China gets a pretty poor deal, but that the apparent divergence of policy from that of the United States must not be perpetuated a moment longer than is absolutely necessary.

It is of urgent concern that the attitudes of the last powerful defenders of order and freedom should not be allowed to become clouded or confused. Actually there can be no doubt about these attitudes. They face in the same direction. And more vital to Britain and the United States than any of their purely Far Eastern interests is the prevention of Adolf Hitler's capitalising upon appearances that belie facts.

While Americans approve of Mr. Hull's strong statement on the Burma Road as a sign of American determination to stand firm in the Far East, they do not forget that the United States also has had its influential advocates of appeasement of Japan, and that while it insists on keeping open the channels of world trade it does not always use these with that foresight which is necessary to keep them from being closed by the spread of aggression.

Moreover they may well recall that the role of sea-power they have assumed—that of guarding the Pacific while Britain guarded the Atlantic—places upon them a responsibility in the Far East which must fall heavily upon their shoulders at this time when Britain faces invasion at home. Indeed, the implications of the naval policies of the United States and Britain should serve to explain why Mr. Hull takes a strong stand while Britain seemingly retreats.

What makes for possible misunderstanding of the positions of the two nations at this moment is that one is at war and the other is not. Naturally the United States tries to employ all diplomatic pressure that it can command to protect its interests without becoming embroiled in armed conflict. Naturally, while Britain cannot count on Ameri-

(In the New Republic)
I believe the peoples of the democracies have been tricked into a false attitude by the more vehement enemies of totalitarianism—those who hated the adversary more than they loved and understood what he was attacking.

In the interest of shaking ourselves free from the delusions that can lead only to disaster, a few rough theses may be presented, for further discussion.

This war cannot restore the kind of Western world, or the kind of societies within it, which existed at its beginning. No matter who wins, there will be revolutionary consequences everywhere.

The result need not be Hitlerism if democracies will accept the necessary economic means and use it for their own ends. The job does not require political dictatorship, or mystic racism, or hostility to science, or concentration camps, or espionage among citizens, or terror against minority groups.

The Churchill Government in Britain has placed all industry and property at the service of the State, while retaining the rule of Parliament, substantial freedom of speech and civil rights of citizens. Labour organisation is not destroyed but, on the contrary, its leaders have been placed in positions of real command. Britain is advancing social measures even under the pressure of defeat in war and the threat of invasion—she is forced to do so as a measure of defence. Thus she has called to the support of the State the enthusiasm of essential democracy.

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When peace comes, if it is not a peace of defeat, there cannot be demobilisation to the old basis. Democracy will be compelled to use a mobilised industry for social ends within each nation. But the turning of this instrument to creativeness rather than destruc-

By
George Soule

tion will depend absolutely on the building of international order, which will not consist merely of agreements between small and weak States which do not comprise efficient economic units. There must be organic political and economic unity in Europe, and economic order throughout the world.

The democratic world must recapture from Hitler and Mussolini the revolutionary slogans which—largely for propaganda purposes—they have stolen. The very mark of democracy is that it is not fixed, but leaves the way open for continual and repeated revolution, by constitutional means. Its highest value is not its past achievement but its promise. It was born with energy and with devotion to the community. Its true essence is not the diffuse, the lax and careless and self-seeking sort of thing about which those who say we shall have to surrender it are now wringing their hands. In crisis it has always demanded and herculean effort it will demand more regularly, the disciplined cooperation of free men in the use of all material and human resources in the service of the common good. The chief present duty of democrats is to end the power of those internal parasites who have kept it weak and static and have nearly betrayed it to its enemies.

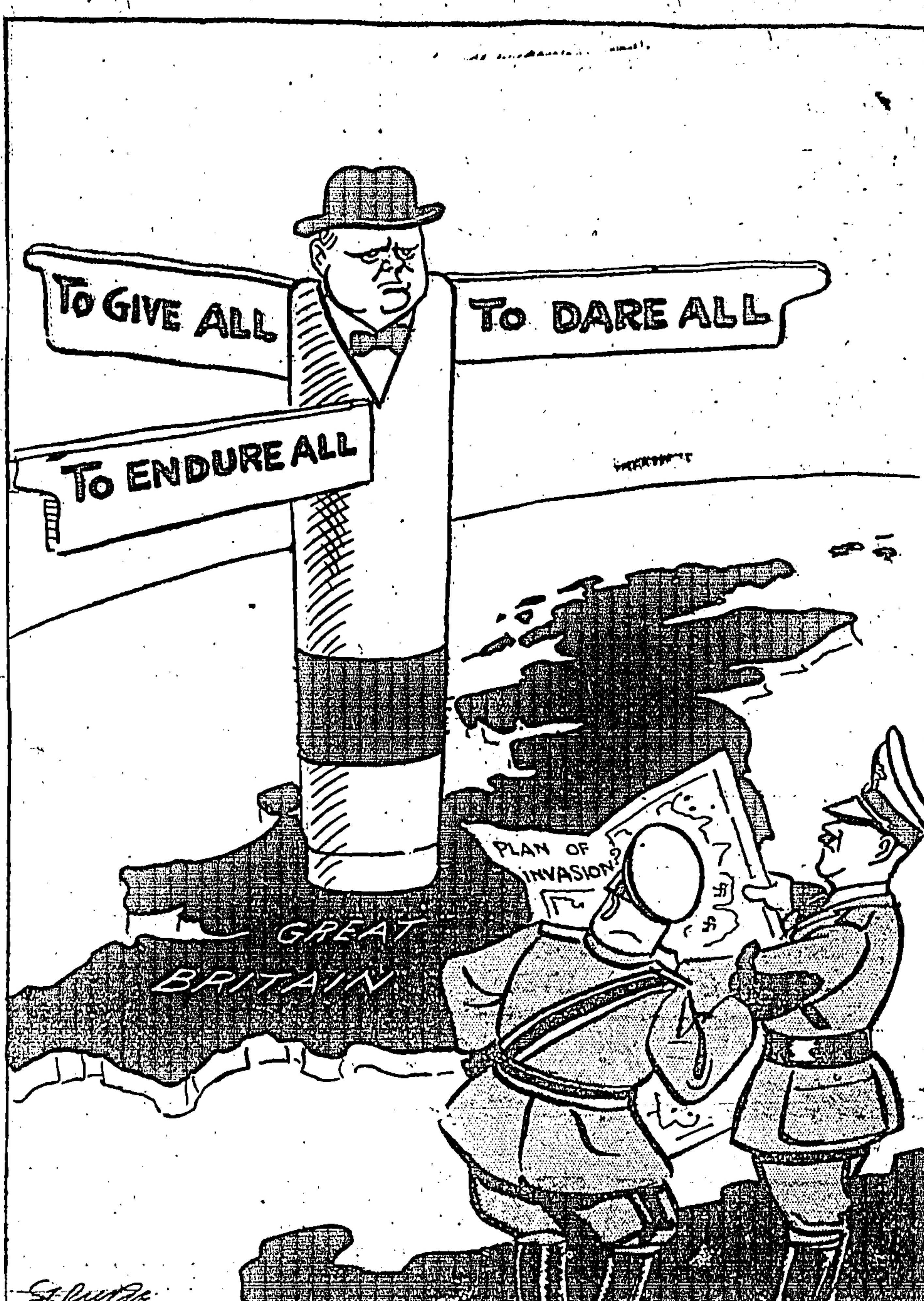
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At peril of extinction, democracy must resume the historical initiative which belongs to it. This initiative, for mere military purposes, will have to be expressed first of all in the economic front. It can and must be used, not merely to create a stronger military power than any which it may have to face, but a firmer social structure, a better and more wholesome life for all its citizens. The purpose of mobilisation must be not merely to prevent defeat, but to win. And it must be not merely to win the war, but to establish a sound and creative peace, more genuinely revolutionary in answer.

ca's use of force in the Far East and cannot afford to diffuse its own naval power, it makes what terms it can.

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France in flight. Fugitives



"I don't like the look of this, Adolf. Your map only shows to surrender all!"

FLIGHT

Flight after dark. The faces of the servants are sad, for they are sorry to see us go, and uneasy too; bags are carried down the steep white stair that leads from the little hotel courtyard, once a cloister, to the road where a car is waiting. Flowers smell sweeter at night, and one of the bags bruises the white alyssum that drops over the wall as we pass, giving a pungent, delicious scent. The little town sleeps beside the tideless sea, breaking in wavelets on the beach that has seen so many flights, so much war, in a thousand years of so-called civilisation. The car speeds towards Naples, round sharp bends and through silent villages; sometimes through an open door are seen, within the lit interior, happy men and women who need not fly yet. In one village a fair is being held which seems to have reached its height. Every booth is brightly lit with flaring tapers and coloured lanterns which illuminate the dark faces and shining eyes of the populace which swarms round the stalls piled high with gaudy merchandise. Some are dancing in the roadway or seated about a table enjoying a "fiasco" of home-grown wine, while darkness, like an inverted bowl, isolates the whole scene from the outside world.

Now a turn in the road between two curving mountains. In the sky the fire of Vesuvius glows sullenly, like a bloodshot eye. Where are we going to-night; and why? Is it all a bad dream that we must leave this lovely friendly land where we are always so welcome? The whole picture is unreal, but the faces which greet us on arrival at the railway terminus are as usual.

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any shred of claim to British nationality. The quay is beset by a surging mob trying to reach the ship.

The grim, solid houses of the grey, old town and cathedral with its tapering Gothic fleche look remote and unreal; they have seen something like this before when Wellington drove Marshal Soult up to Toulouse and Orthez.

It is night. The sea is calm, and the air warm, but terror lurks beneath the moonlit water, dogs our flight in this stage of a desperate journey. Sleeping figures lie about the decks, wrapped in rugs or in what other coverings they have

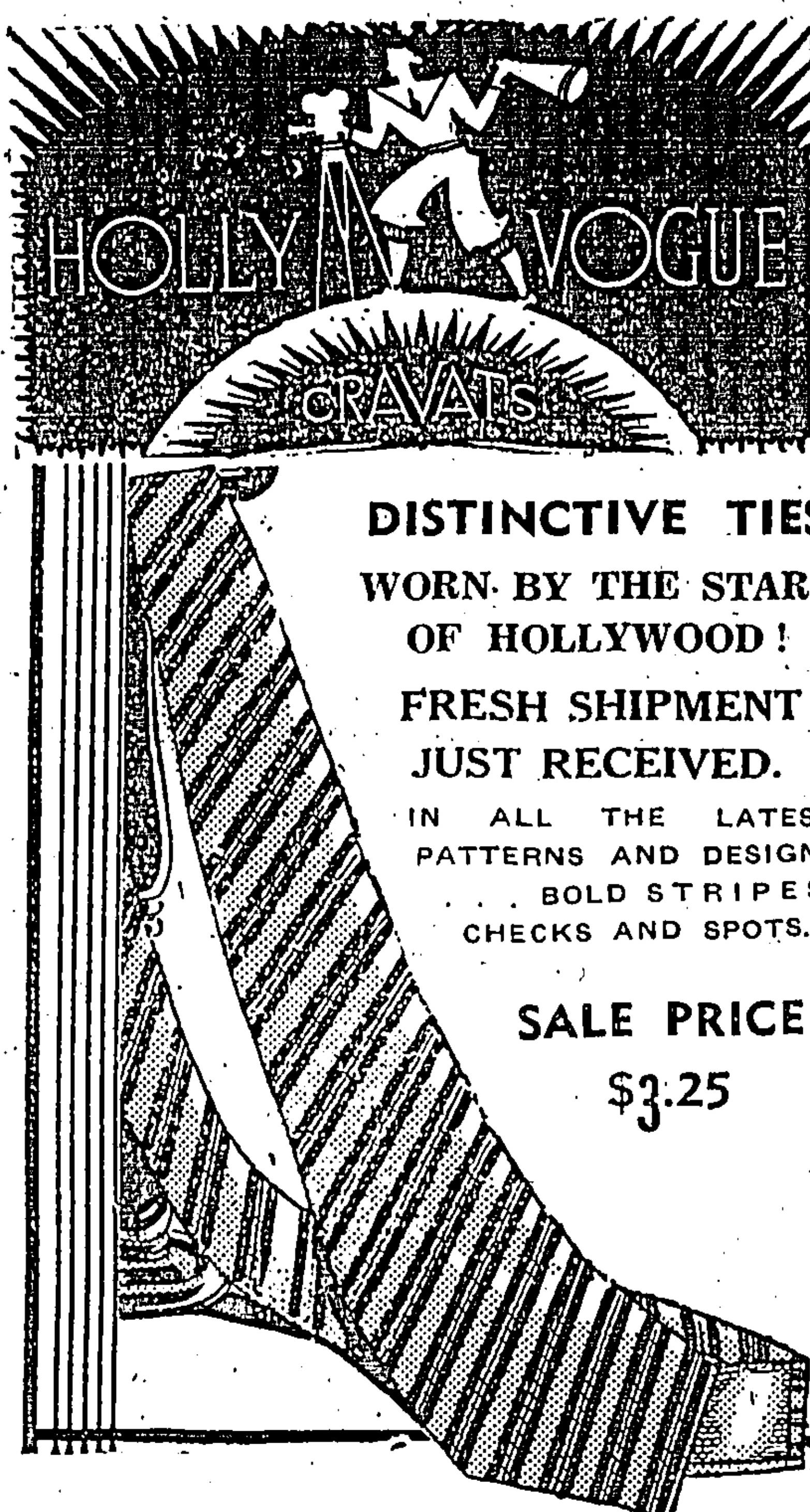
been able to bring, arranging themselves as best they may on chairs or on the bare planks, trying to sleep and forget for a while the events of the last few days. At least it is quiet; only the throb of the propellers as they drive the ship at the highest speed the engines are capable of towards an unknown British port.

A child gives a sudden cry, but is hushed off again, and a fitful sleep descends once more on anxious, weary souls. The ship sweeps on, every now and then showing what danger has been avoided by the sharp curve in which she heels over at an alarming angle.

The dawn breaks, and the clear summer sky is lightly veiled here and there by wisps of moving cloud. The sun is up. Silent re-cumbent figures begin to move and stretch their cramped limbs as they gaze out to sea. It is easy to read their thoughts. They are looking at a derelict ship, her back broken, slowly sinking. None can tell her story, but she tells her own.

The long day wears on, and hope increases with each hour. At the approach of evening a low, grey, misty line appears on the horizon ahead, and gulls are wheeling above our wake. There is less of excitement than thoughtfulness on men's faces during this last half-hour as the ship throbs homeward to England.

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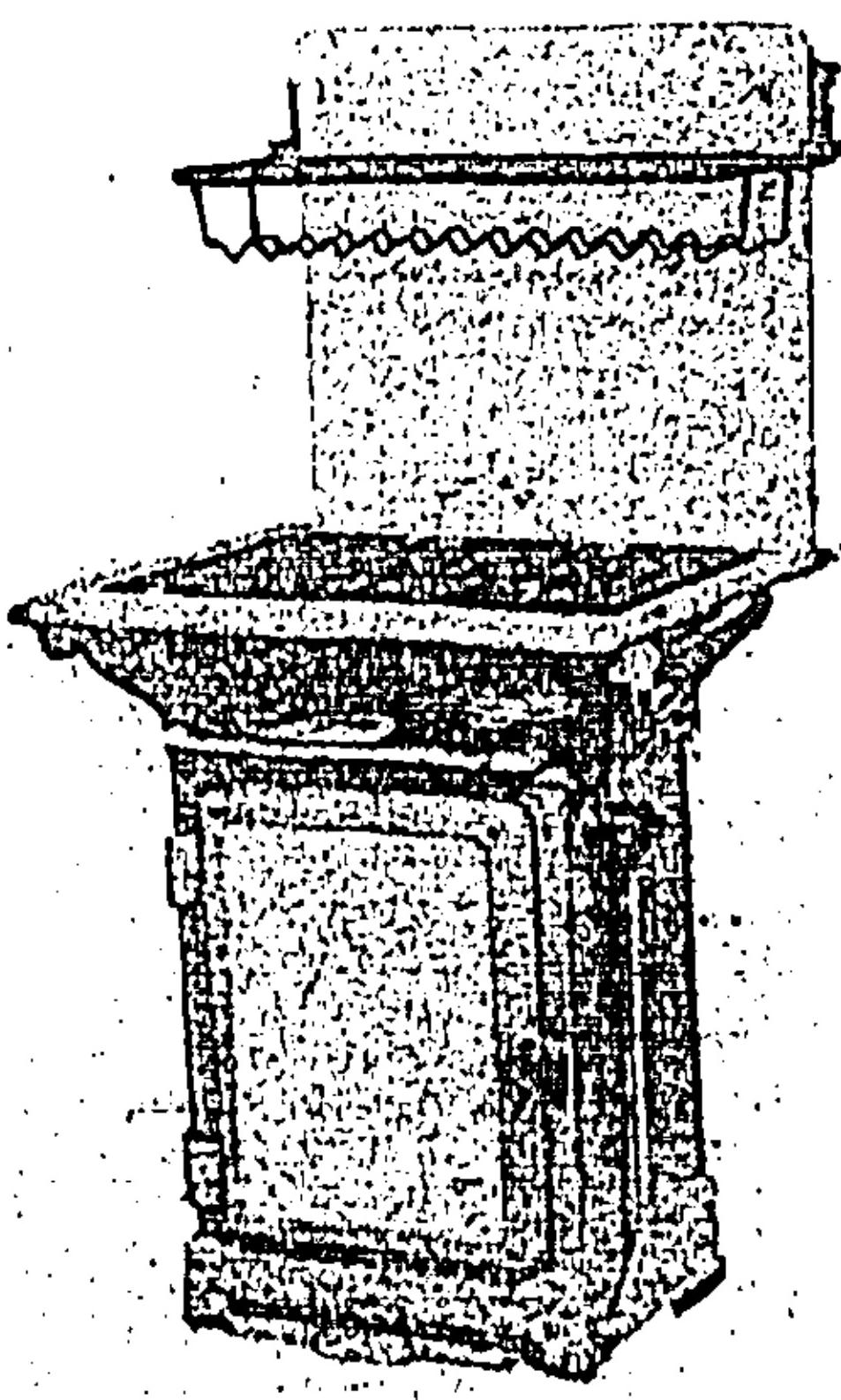
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On a recent visit to Hollywood, Doris Duke Cromwell, tobacco heiress, got some first-hand information on how motion pictures are made. The cameraman snapped her picture with a few of the personalities on the set of Universal's "When The Daltons Rode." Seen above are (left to right) director George Marshall, Kay Francis, Mrs. Cromwell and Randolph Scott.

INCENDIARY BOMBS START LARGE FIRES

FIVE CIVILIANS WERE killed and twenty injured in a widespread air raid on Britain. The five deaths occurred in a town in the south-west of England, where incendiary bombs started three big fires in the centre of the town. Several smaller fires were also started.

London took cover and the sound of aeroplanes was heard. No casualties or damages were reported. Black-out offences were committed in districts experiencing their first raids. The offenders will be prosecuted.

The five dead in the south-west fifteen, was getting back into bed. town were:—

Mrs. Knowles, aged forty-three and her nine-year-old daughter Rosina; Mary Jane Stinchcombe, aged sixty-seven; Mr. Hubert Goodwin, and Mr. Frederick Meek, aged sixty-five.

Mr. Goodwin leaves a widow and two young children.

High explosive bombs damaged some small shops close to a hospital in the south-west town and wrecked streets in a quiet suburb.

In Shelter — Unhurt

Three of the people were killed in a street of little grey two-story houses with red tiled roofs. Mrs. Alice Bancroft, a widow aged fifty-six, whose only son Reginald, aged twenty-six, was seriously injured, lived next door to Mrs. Knowles.

"The tragedy of our street," she told a reporter while standing among the ruins of her own shattered home, "is that we thought the 'All clear' had gone. We left the shelters in our gardens and went back to our houses."

"I was making some tea in our back room and my son was looking out of the front door when there was a terrible explosion. Reginald fell back with a large wound in his shoulder and his eye hurt."

"Mrs. Knowles and her little daughter were in the passage of their house adjoining ours which was completely smashed. There was not a whole piece except the beds left standing, and they were buried in the debris."

The families in the two houses in the district which were hit had astonishing escapes.

Eight members of one family emerged unhurt from their Anderson shelter to find their house completely wrecked.

Next door Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Winter, with their five-month-old baby, heard their house crash around them.

Clad in their night clothes they had taken refuge in a cupboard beneath the stairs and did not even suffer a scratch.

Killed By Glass

Mrs. Willcocks, who lives next door to the Goodwins on the opposite side of the street, said: "We did not hear the warning, but the noise of a plane woke us. We thought it had gone over, and went back to bed when suddenly the street was lit up with terrible explosions. My daughter Joan, aged

DARED DEATH AT BRIDGE

Demolition charges on two bridges at Tressin had to be fired simultaneously by lighting a fuse to each; but one of them failed to light. It was then that Corporal Tom Carter, of the Royal Engineers, displayed heroism which has gained him the D.C.M.

Although he knew the first fuse was already burning he went forward, lit the other, and barely gained cover when the first bridge — only thirty yards separated the two — blew up.

Carter's award is among seventeen — two D.S.O.s, six M.C.s, three D.C.M.s and six M.M.s — made by the B.E.F. Commander-in-Chief and announced by the War Office.

Recipients of the D.S.O. are Lieutenant-Colonel Lionel Bootle-Wilbraham, M.C., Coldstream Guards, and Major (Acting Lieutenant-Colonel) Donald Clunes Butterworth, North Stafford Regiment.

Lieutenant-Colonel Lionel Bootle-Wilbraham showed conspicuous coolness and determination in handling his battalion throughout the withdrawal from the River Dyle to the Scheldt.

These are among the heroic acts which gained the M.C.

Rode Past Tanks

Second-Lieutenant (acting Captain) Alan Southworth, R.E., remained in an exposed position for thirty hours to hold two bridges as final demolitions until the cavalry had come in.

Second-Lieutenant Rhodri Mortimer Green (Foresters) volunteered to search for a bridge across the Escout to save his carriers. He rode past two enemy tanks, was wounded, abandoned his wrecked machine and swam the river.

Rescue of a wounded officer under heavy fire gained the D.C.M. for Corporal John Wade, North Stafford Regiment, who "showed complete disregard for his personal safety."

Other names in the awards list are:

M. C. — Captain Peard Thornton Wood, R.E.; Lieutenant (Acting Captain) Patrick Holberton Man, Hampshire Regiment; Second Lieutenant Geoffrey Ford, North Stafford Regiment; Second Lieutenant Douglas Alexander Russell, North Stafford Regiment.

D. C. M. — Sergeant Robert Hodson Slack, R.A.

M. M. — Lance-Sergeant Frank Thacker, R.A.; Gunner Stanley Gordon Rudback, R.A.; Guardsman William Hardy, Grenadier Guards; Guardsman Reginald Abson, Coldstream Guards; P.S.M. Frederick Black, Foresters; Sergeant Dennis Michael Edmund MacGillycuddy, Field Security Police.

A HAPPY BURIAL

WITH FLAGS FLYING AND GAY FLOWERS DECORATING THE WORKSHOPS, HUNDREDS OF FACTORY EMPLOYEES SANG "THERE'LL ALWAYS BE AN ENGLAND" AND "THE MORE WE ARE TOGETHER" WHEN THEY ATTENDED THEIR EMPLOYER'S FUNERAL SERVICE AT HIS FACTORY.

They were expressing the wishes of Mr. Fred Jefferson, chairman and managing director of Kenrick and Jefferson, Ltd., business equipmers and printers, of West Bromwich, who died at his home at Maidenhead, Berks, at the age of sixty-three.

Mr. Jefferson left this request:

"It is my wish that no mourning in any shape or manner shall be worn at any ceremony that takes place when I go to the Great Beyond."

"I should like to think that my dear people put on their gayest colours, so that our slogan 'Let us be gay always' can be carried out at all times. I should like also to think that my people were gathered together and sing 'Land of Hope and Glory' and 'The More We Are Together' and decorate the home and office with flowers and have the flags flying — not at half-mast but as high as they can be flown."

The service was held in the binding department.

NEGLECTED HER FOR POLO

The Hon. Mrs. Pamela Catherine Mabel Rous of the White House, Garsington, Carnforth, Lancs, was granted a decree nisi against her husband, the Hon. William Keith Rous, by Mr. Justice Lawrence at Devon Assizes at Exeter.

She alleged her husband had been guilty of misconduct and desertion. Mrs. Rous was granted costs and the custody of the two children of the marriage.

Mrs. Rous's case was that her husband had spent a fortune on yachts and polo ponies and expected her to live on practically nothing.

MORE COMMUNAL MEALS

Mr. Boothby, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Food in a written reply to Mr. Lindsay (Nat. Lab., Kilmarnock) says the Minister welcomes the provision of communal meals and is facilitating allocation of supplies.

The possibility of more direct action to establish communal feeding centres is under urgent consideration, he says.

WAR PENSION RATE HAS BEEN RAISED

WAR PENSIONS FOR totally disabled soldiers are to be increased from 32s. 6d. to 34s. 2d., and the allowance for wives from 5s. to 8s. 4d., Sir Walter Womersley announced in the House of Commons.

In addition, 6s. 3d. will be paid for the first child and 5s. for each of all the other children. Previously, the first child got 5s., the second and third 3s. 4d. — and the rest nothing.

There are other important changes, too. Parents in need can now be granted pensions according to what their son or sons might have been expected to contribute after the war.

This has already come into effect. A large number of single men lost their lives when two warships were sunk. Some of their parents applied for pensions but had to be refused.

Now these applications have been reviewed and pensions have been granted in 470 cases.

In more than 700 cases parents had been informed that should their circumstances come within the term "need," broadly interpreted, in the future allowances will be paid them.

Parents of a married soldier can receive an allowance if it is shown they were dependent on him to a substantial extent for a period before his death.

The new rates are not fixed for ever. If there is a rise in the cost of living they will be increased.

Start From June 1

Sir Walter said the new rates of pensions and other concessions would operate from the nearest pay day to June 1, and arrears would be adjusted as soon as possible.

The conditions of the new warrant would apply to cases in Merchant Marine in the same way as in the Armed Forces.

Sir Walter said that under the old warrant there had been a condition laid down that where the wife of a disabled man was under forty, was able-bodied and had no children, her husband would not receive any allowance on her behalf.

"I took the view," he said, "that if a man is disabled, he surely wants some extra attention. Who is the best person to give him that extra attention but his wife?"

"I followed the advice of my committee and put the matter forward to the Treasury—that a husband should not be debarred from claiming on behalf of his wife if he is a disabled man, and I am glad to say that that has been accepted."

Woman's Sacrifice

In the case of the three fighting Services the full family allowance would be paid for thirteen weeks after death or presumed death and he had been able to get the shipowners to agree that where a ship was lost the payment would continue for four weeks. Fifty per cent. of that money would be refunded from the Exchequer.

The Ministry had already paid 600 pensions to disabled merchant seamen and over 600 pensions to widows and dependants of merchant seamen. The Ministry had also paid out 5,300 injury allowances, mostly to A.R.P. workers and auxiliary firemen.

He expressed the Government's appreciation of those pensioners who since the war broke out had offered to give up their pensions as a matter of patriotic duty.

Sir Walter read a letter from a Yorkshire woman of seventy-four years of age, who lost her son in the last war and who offered to give up her pension of 9s. a week.

She was setting an example to wealthy people which he hoped they would follow to the full.

£20 FOR SHOWING LIGHTS

Fines totalling £20 were imposed at Eastleigh County Petty Sessions at Southampton on Mrs. Edith Rayment, of High Street, Old Bursledon, Hants, for making signals by means of light in such circumstances as to be made for a purpose prejudicial to the defence of the realm.

SAW HER HUSBAND BLOWN UP

A mother of five young children waved to her husband's ship as it entered harbour. Soon he would be home again.

Then, to her horror, she saw the ship blown up. Later she learned that her husband was missing.

Albert Roberts, of Great Yarmouth, was a member of the crew of the mine sweeper Ocean Sunlight, loss of which has just been announced.

Waving Him Home

He had come unscathed through the evacuation of Dunkirk. Mrs. Roberts moved from Great Yarmouth with her family to be near her husband at another port.

When his ship was due in she always went to meet it.

"The ship was about to enter



Peggy Moran, Universal starlet, suns herself on the sands of the Pacific before starting her current film role in "The Mummy's Hand," horror mystery drama. Having played four leading parts in rapid succession, the young actress enjoys a well-earned vacation.

the harbour when it happened," she told a reporter.

"I was waving him home and suddenly there was an explosion and the ship was blown up. It was terrible."

"Later I learned that my husband was one of the eight missing men."

Roberts was thirty, and volunteered when war broke out. His five children are all under eight.

BUT YES, WE HAVE NO COFFEE

Coffee is not now generally available to Italians but is supplied only to hospitals and the armed forces.

Cakes and ice cream are sold only at week-ends, and the sale of rice also is restricted.—Reuter.

ANZAC SOLDIER WANTS REVENGE

A MAN WITH an old score to settle is among the contingent of the Australian Imperial Force who left their sunny Dominion and reached Britain a few weeks ago to complete their training.

He is Private B. J. Bugden, who was determined to get into this war, age limit or no age limit.

"Up to thirty-fives only," they told him, when he went to enlist. He got in.

His brother was a V.C. in the 31st Battalion, killed at Passchendaele in the last war when he was only twenty-one.

Bugden, a banana farmer, even sold his farm on the Queensland border of New South Wales so that he could get at the Germans who killed his brother.

Stocky gold miners, husky cattle ranchers, sheep farmers, banana growers, pearl divers and full-blooded aborigines are among these Australians—he-men of the finest physique.

PRIVATE TO O.C.

Most of them are in the twenties, and most of them thought the defence of Britain was well worth their giving up their good jobs.

Gunner Leigh Watkins thinks this home is worth fighting for. He's only twenty-one, comes from Adelaide, and earned a good salary for such a youngster in a petrol company out there.

When he joined up, aged twenty, his firm gave him a medal and presented him with a silver watch. He loved his work but, he said, "I think this is much more important."

From private to commanding officer is the record of a Lieutenant-colonel. In the last war he was a private. Now, at the age of forty-five or so, he commands a battalion of men who speak of him as a "very swell guy."

Sergeant Joe McAlister, a Mount Isa, Queensland, silver lead miner, averaged £25 a fort-

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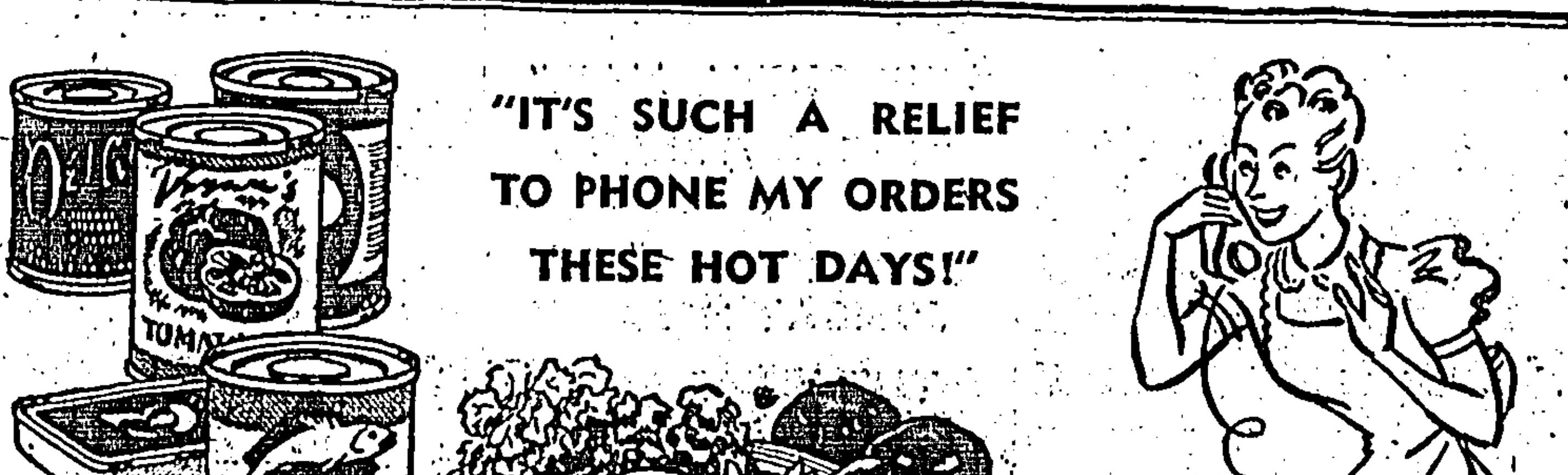
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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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(By The Four Aces)

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Here's the second in our series of Bridge Swindles—deceptive bids or plays which every player can use:

South. Dealer
East-West vulnerable♦ 10 8 3
♥ 8 6 2
♦ A Q J 9
♦ Q J 8

♠ K 9 6 4 2

N ♠ J 7

♥ A 5 ♠ K Q 10

♦ 8 7 4 2 ♠ 9 4

♦ K 5 ♠ 6 5 3

♦ 6 3 ♠

♦ A Q 5 ♠

♥ J 7 3 ♠

♦ K 10 ♠

♦ A 10 9 7 4 ♠

The bidding:

South West North East

1♦ Pass 1♦ Pass

1NT Pass 2NT Pass

2NT Pass Pass Pass

Against this ambitious contract West led a low spade, and East played the Jack. South noted that the

contract was un-

beatable if the club finesse worked; but what if West had the King of clubs?

A switch to hearts would then defeat the contract, so South looked around for a way to prevent that

switch. Can you see the neat

"swindle" he executed?

South's swindle consisted in

winning the first trick with the

spade Ace! Then he led the ten

of diamonds to dummy's Jack and

took the club finesse. West won

with the King of clubs—and re-

turned another low spade.

He naturally assumed that South

would not have taken the first

trick with the spade Ace if he

also held the spade Queen. West

therefore thought that East had

the spade Queen and that the

spades together with the heart

Ace would defeat the contract.

Actually, however, South won the

spade return and rattled off a total

of ten tricks. If South had taken

the first trick with the spade

Queen, West would have shifted

to hearts, defeating the contract.

Yesterday you were Oswald

Jacoby's partner and, with neither

side vulnerable, you held:

♦ A 6 ♠ 5 2 ♦ A Q J 9 7 3 ♠ K 9 6 3

The bidding:

Jacky Schenken 1♦ 1♦

1♦ Pass 2♦ Pass

2♦ Pass (?)

ANSWER: Bid three diamonds.

The hand seems to be a misfit and

you are anxious to play it at what

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Score 100% for three diamonds,

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trump.

QUESTION NO. 497

To-day you hold the same hand

and the bidding continues:

Jacky Schenken 1♦ 1♦

1♦ Pass 2♦ Pass

2♦ Pass (?)

What do you bid? (Answer

Monday.)

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NO NAME —NO PACK DRILL

North London shopkeepers are showing signs of irritation.

Ordered by the police to black-out the name of a street from over their shop windows, they noticed that the official street names were being left.

At Holloway, a baker was removing part of his name plate. Half the shops in the road use the street's name: "The — Stores," "The — Bakery," "The — Garage," and so on.

The baker said, "I have been ordered by the police to do this, but since the order was given the local council have put up posters around the place headed, 'Citizens of Islington,' which would clearly indicate to any German that he was in Islington.

"What puzzles me is the fact that I must remove the name of the street from my shop, but over the road and all the way up the street, the borough council is leaving up the official street name plates."

In other parts of North London, the postal districts are being painted out on street names.

TYPISTS PAID TO KNIT—M.P.

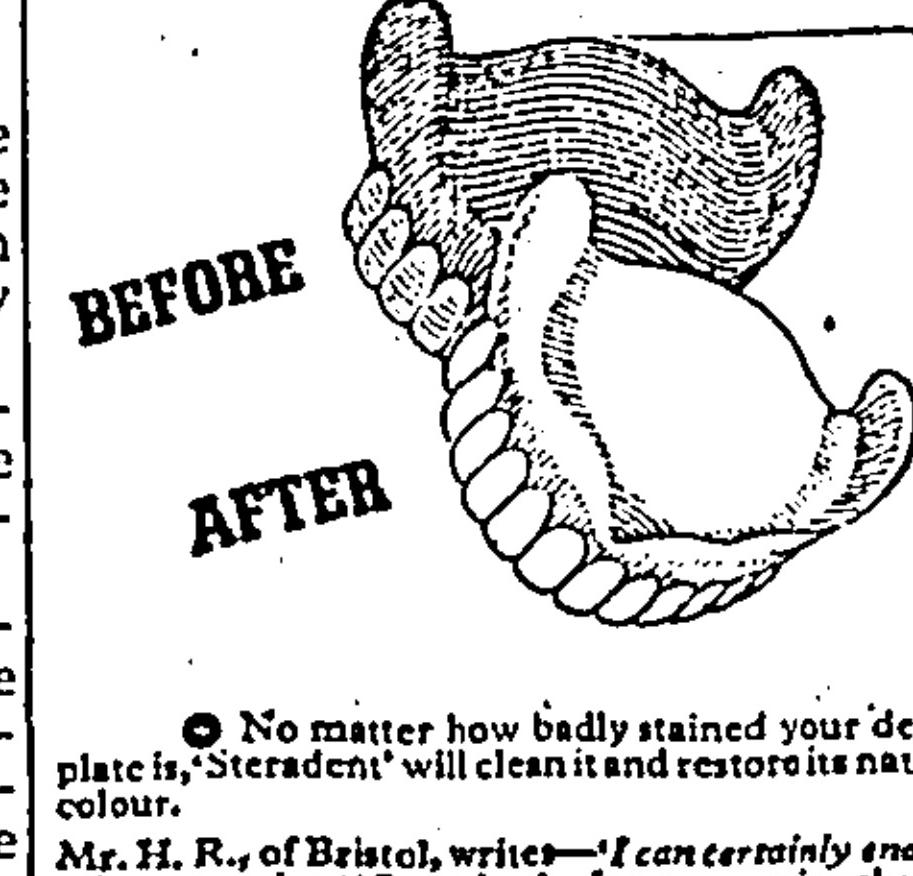
When Mr. Dingle Foot, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Economic Warfare, stated in the House of Commons that the staff of the Economic Warfare Department numbered 1,373 on June 22, Mr. G. T. Culverwell (Cons., West Bristol) said that on June 1 it numbered 1,461, so there had only been a small reduction in the last few weeks in spite of the occupation of Belgium and Holland.

Mr. Foot explained that contraband control was not the only function of the Ministry. Reorganisation now being undertaken might mean further reduction.

Mrs. H. B. Tate (Cons., Frome): There are typists working at the Ministry who do nothing but knit and read novels the whole day, and draw overtime though there is no work for them to do. It is disgrace.

Mr. Foot said that until recently a large staff had been working many hours overtime.

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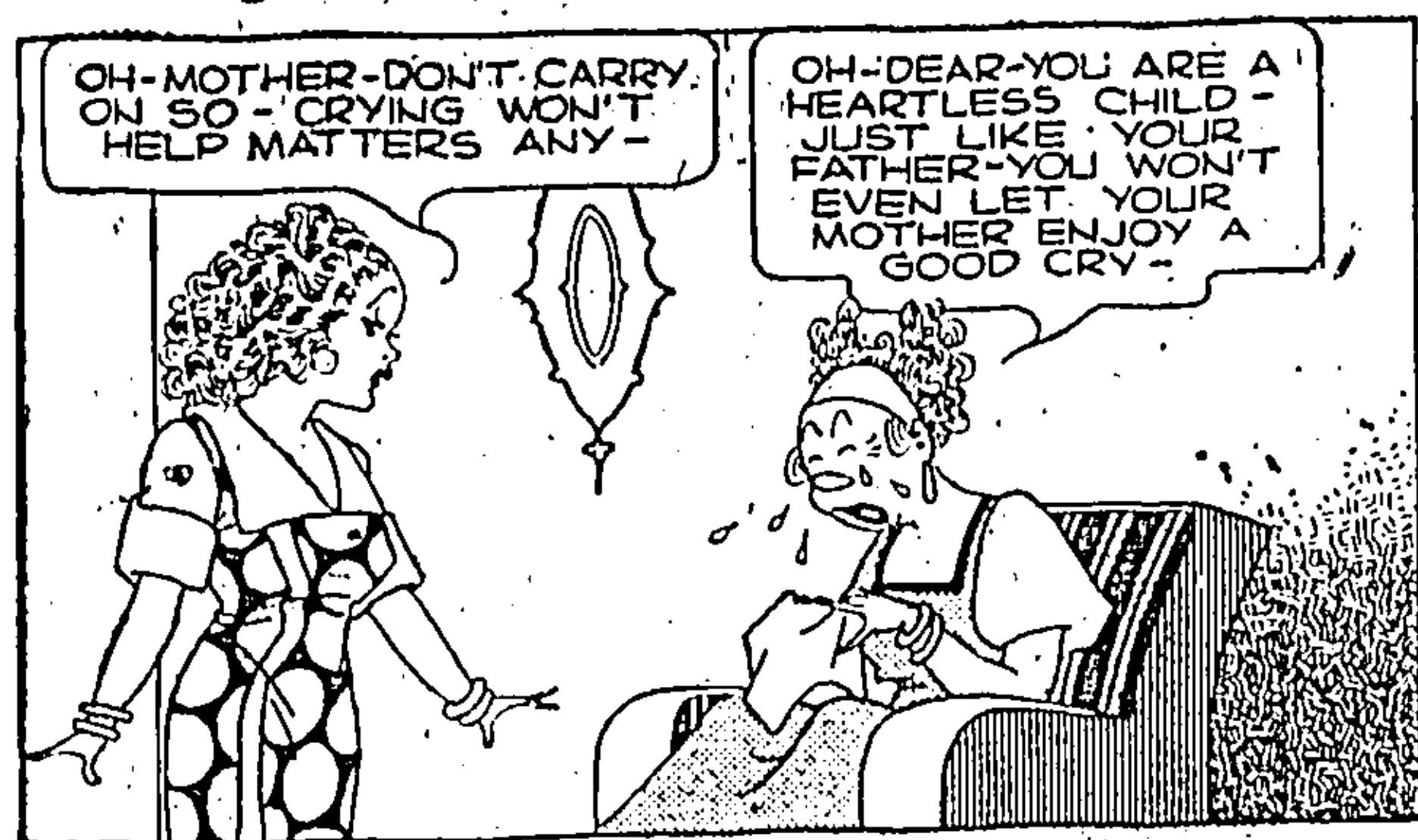


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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Cardinal Rules For Home Manicure

Finger-wise beauties are more than conscious of smooth cuticle and long, sturdy nails. In spring, especially if you live where winters are long and cold, the essential oils so necessary to the softness and pliancy of nails are sorely lacking. Your cuticles are likely to become ragged as they too become dry. Your nails split or break because they are brittle. Obviously external treatment is needed. If you will follow these tips for finger-tip charm your nail problems will be corrected and your hands will look nicely groomed:

1—File nails toward centre. Don't file down at corners and never, never cut corners. It weakens the nails' support and they are apt to split.

2—Try not to cut cuticle. Dip cotton-tipped orange stick into a cuticle-remover solution and work it around the ragged skin. Never use scissors, as cutting the cuticle creates pesky hangnails. If the solution does not remove the ragged skin use nippers expertly—nipping off only the ragged part—never touching the flesh.

3—To mend a split nail cover it with colourless tape and apply a deep, opaque polish over it until it has grown out.

4—Apply a protective, colourless nail base before your polish. Also apply it over your polish (when it has dried thoroughly) and bring it down over and under the nail tip. This gives added support and makes it tougher.

5—Apply polish using it not too freely. Better two coats than one runny coat! Keep your hand steady and have moons and white tips even.

6—After polish has dried well—the hand treatment. Apply a little of nail grooming oil to each nail and massage it carefully around the cuticle. Then cover hands and wrists with a rich hand cream and slip on cotton gloves to steam in the oils while you read, make phone calls, or rest. Both oil and cream should



A rich lubricant is applied to the newly manicured nail and massaged into the cuticle to keep it free of hangnails and to supply the nail with needed oil. It remains on for at least a half hour.

remain on your hands at least one-half hour. It is good to apply both just before going to bed and sleep with the gloves on.

7—Remember to anoint your hands with a lotion or cream each time after washing them. Keep up this practice until the hot weather sets in and your hands will be smooth, soft and your cuticles will be ruly.

8—Once every week or ten days when you have a free hour, heat some olive oil, or cuticle oil. Saturate some flannel strips with it and wrap them around your hands and fingers. Wear loose fingered gloves over all for an hour. Remove and wash in warm suds, dry well, and then anoint with a bit of quickly absorbed hand lotion.

to keep her feet free of the aches and pains which trouble many a woman. There are many exceedingly smart styles which are comfortable and appropriate for her costumes and if she plans wisely she will find that three pair a season will harmonise with her ensembles.

Gloves, bags, handkerchiefs and flowers can add to costumes if they are worn with simply cut gowns or suits of good material in soft shades. Many women like to have their gloves and bags match their shoes.

Make-Up

All women over forty require some make-up. Soft shades of rouge applied deftly, lipstick and powder to match exactly their current skin tone. Hair should be kept immaculately groomed and glossy from much brushing. Coiffures must be simple. Always show the lobes of your ears. Walk with grace and keep limber by

Correct Foundations

If you are forty-plus, and your figure is not as streamlined as you desire, you must select a well-fitting foundation garment before any more additions to your spring and summer wardrobe. For, according to Edward Stevenson, famous costume designer, correct foundation garments are more important than the clothes worn over them, for they provide pleasing lines and help good posture—both very essential to the matron who wants to look pleasingly smart.

"Once the matron has found a foundation garment which does things for her figure," Mr. Stevenson advises, "a few simple rules for dressing will keep her prominent in the fashion parade."

"First of all, the woman of forty-plus should not be a fadist. Bizarre styles are not for her. She can add zest to her costume and humour her fashion whims by selecting smart hats with flattering lines and colours—otherwise her basic wardrobe should be conservative but not drab.

"For instance unrelieved black is deadly for the woman of this age group, — neutral shades and pastels are best. Black ensembles must be relieved with white, soft pinks or blues, or chunky jewelry. Here again a colourful hat will pick her up out of the drab class to balance her weight nicely, and exercising.

The Thin Woman

Naturally the slim woman of this age group has more leeway in the lines of her clothes, but she must be just as fastidious in the matter of colour as her more plump sister. When the skin begins to lose the flush of youth, or has lost it, harsh colours are most unflattering for they make the skin and hair appear faded and old.

The softer shades blend beautifully and the fashion-wise lady always selects them.

Shoes And Accessories

The woman of forty-plus whether she is slim or stout should not yield to the temptation of buying fancy shoes. If she has gained weight with the years the heels should be lower and broader to balance her weight nicely, and exercising.



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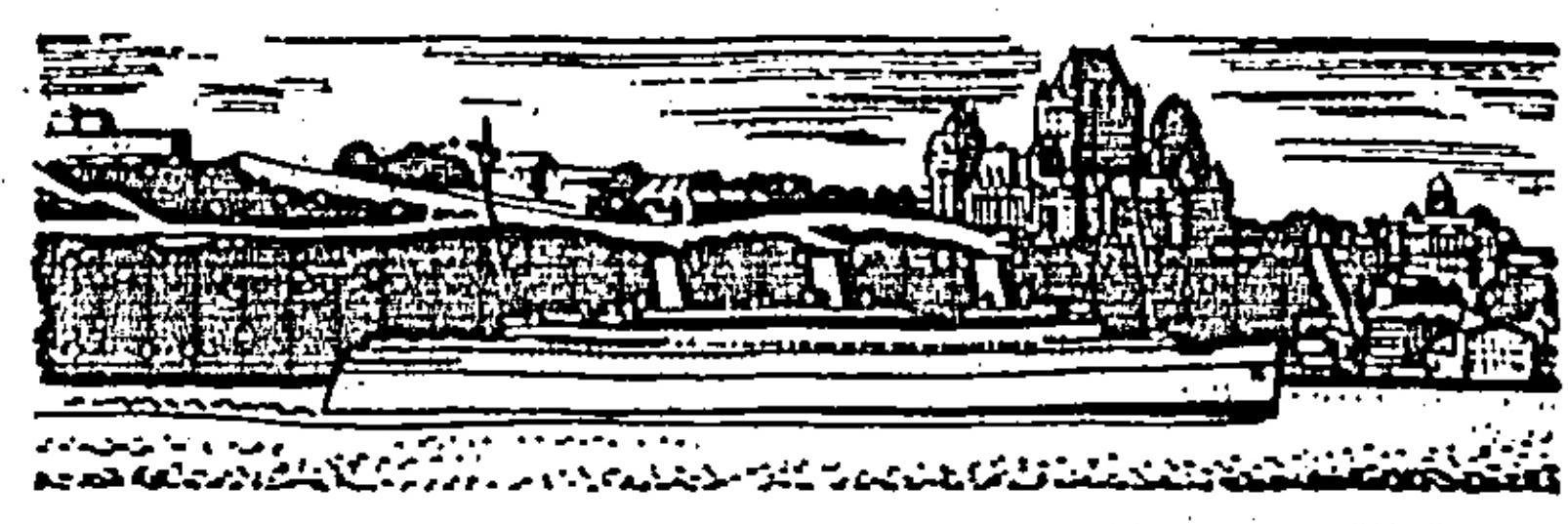
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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 p.m.—The Hill Billies and London Piano Accordion Band.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Harry Croudson at the Organ.

1.15 p.m.—Dance Music.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Variety, with George Formby, Elsie and Doris Waters, Dave Willis, Stan Holloway, and Vine, More and Nevar.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

0.00 p.m.—Verdi—La Traviata—Act 1.

0.32 p.m.—Bach—Two Piano Concerto, by Arthur and Ulrich Schnabel with the London Symphony Orchestra.

6.53 p.m.—Folies D'Espagne.

7.02 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.04 p.m.—Folk Music.

7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

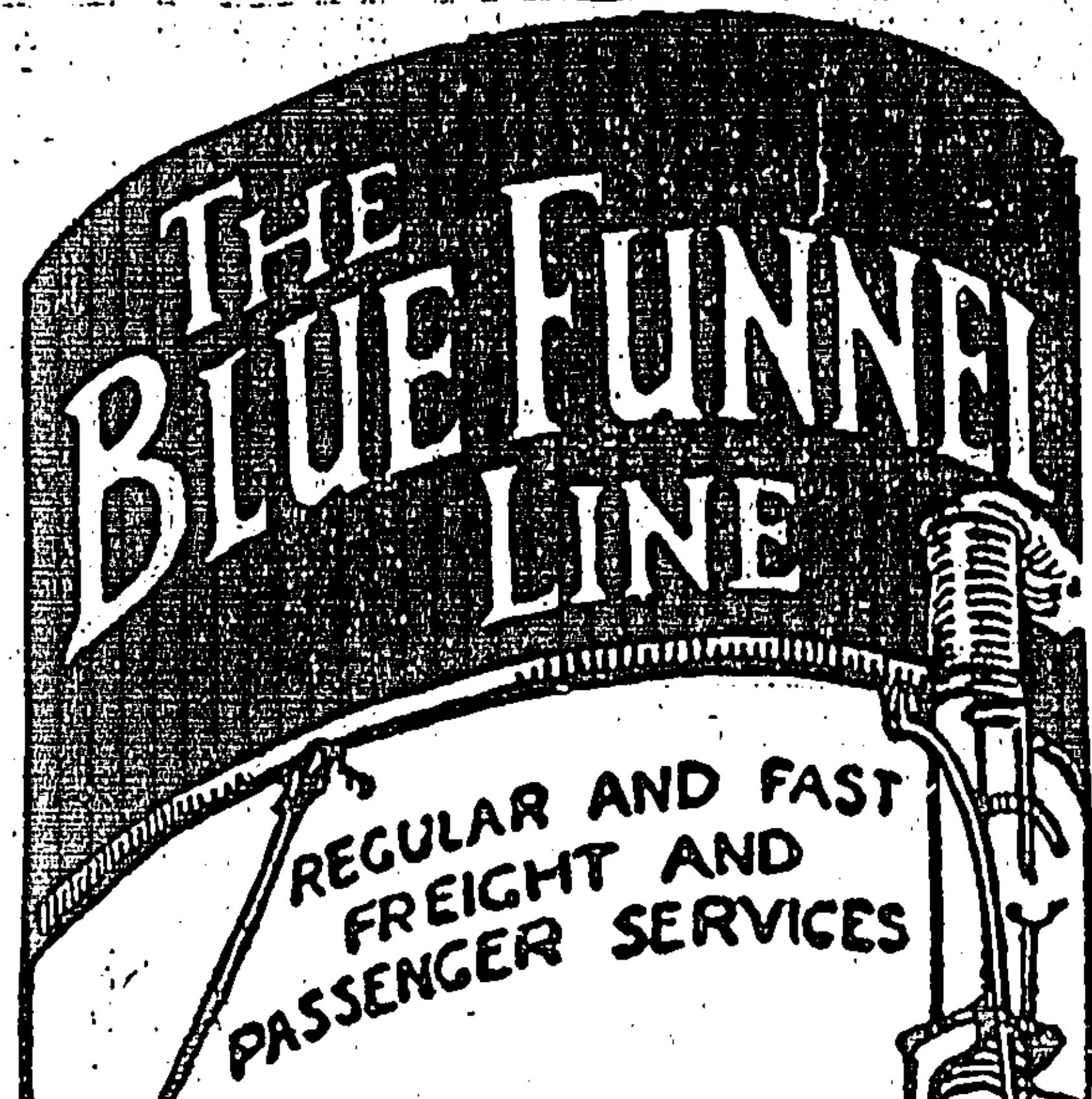
8.03 p.m.—Dance Music, by Joe Loss, Wally Bishop, Teddy Powell, Harry Horlick, Mantovani, Casa Loma Orchestra, and Lew Stone.

8.45 p.m.—London Relay—London Log.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and Topical Talks.

9.45 p.m.—Request Variety, with The Kentucky Minstrels, The New Mayfair Orchestra, Nelson Eddy, Flanagan and Allen, The Comedy Harmonists, Nelson Eddy and Jeanette MacDonald, London Theatre Orchestra, Louis Levy's Orchestra, Max Miller, Charlie Kunz, Bing Crosby, Elsie Carlisle, The Mills Bros., The Duncan Sisters, Larry Adler, Harry Roy and his Orchestra, Maurice Winnick's Orchestra, Jack Hilton's Orchestra, Len Fills and his Orchestra, and Nat Gonella.

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1st Battery. Week-end camp cancelled. Sun., 25th Aug., H.Q., 8.30 a.m. Those detailed for 1st aiming rifle practice. Dress—helmet, shirt, shorts, puttees rolled downwards, black boots. Overalls and gun platform shoes to be carried. Tues., 27th Aug., H.Q., 5.30 p.m. B.C.A. L.G. Class. Thurs., 29th Aug., H.Q. for D'Aguilar, 8 a.m.

2nd Battery. Tues., 27th Aug., H.Q. for Bluff Head, 8 a.m. Returning 5 p.m.

3rd Battery. Week-end camp cancelled. Sun., 25th Aug., H.Q., 9.30 a.m. Those detailed for 1st aiming rifle practice. Dress—helmet, shirt, shorts, puttees rolled downward, black boots, overalls and gun platform shoes to be carried. Thurs., 29th Aug., H.Q. for Aberdeen, 8 a.m.

4th Battery. Tues., 27th Aug., H.Q. for Pak Sha Wan, 8 a.m. Returning 5 p.m. D.E.L. personnel will not parade. Thurs., 29th Aug., D.E.L. School, 5.30 p.m. D.E.L. recruits only. Fri., 30th Aug., Queen's Pier, 2 p.m. D.E.L. personnel. Dress—helmet, shirt, shorts, puttees rolled down, black boots, water bottle filled. Overalls to be carried.

5th A.A. Battery. Tues., 27th Aug.: (i) No. 1 Section, H.Q., 10.30 a.m. Full day's training. Dress—as usual. (ii) No. 2 Section, H.Q., 5.30 p.m. L.G. Course. Dress—mufti. Thurs., 29th Aug., No. 2 Section, H.Q., 8 a.m. Full day's training. Dress—as usual. Fri., 30th Aug., No. 1 Section, H.Q., 5.30 p.m. L.G. Course. Dress—mufti.

Field Company Engineers. Mon., 26th Aug., K.C.R., 5.30 p.m. Discussion of Technical Exercise. Dress—mufti.

Tues., 27th Aug., Wed., 28th Aug., and Thurs., 29th Aug., K.C.R., 5.45 a.m. Technical Exercise. Those detailed by Section officers. Dress—uniform (less No. 2 Company).

Corps Signals.

Sat., 24th Aug. Mainland Line Detachment and D/Rs. will deploy with Mobile Column as detailed.

Mon., 26th Aug., H.Q., 5.15 p.m.: (i) A Group, Semaphore drill and Pair Work. (ii) B Group, Lamp reading from Peak. (iii) C Group. Morse Flag Drill, Sgt. Hirst.

Wed., 28th Aug., H.Q., 2 p.m.: (i) Duties with H.K. Signal Coy. as per roster. (ii) W/T Detachment training at Victoria Barracks. (iii) Line Detachment No. 3. Area Reconnaissance. (iv) Line Detachments Nos. 1 and 2.

Signal training on Murray Parade Ground. (v) D/R Section. Field Signal Exercise. Evening Parade:—Signal training in Groups.

Fri., 30th Aug., H.Q., 2 p.m.: (i) Duties with H.K. Signal Coy. as per roster. (ii) W/T Detachment. Field Exercise. (iii) A and B Groups. Signal training. (iv) C Group. Cable Exercise. (v) D/R Section. Signal training.

Evening Parade:—Signal training in Groups.

Fri., 30th Aug., H.Q., 2 p.m.: (i) Duties with H.K. Signal Coy. as per roster. (ii) W/T Detachment. Field Exercise. (iii) A and B Groups. Signal training. (iv) C Group. Cable Exercise. (v) D/R Section. Signal training.

Evening Parade:—There will be no Map Reading Classes. Instead there will be a lecture on batteries, and Signal Diagram symbols.

Mobile Column.

Sat., 24th Aug.: (i) H.Q., 7 a.m. Working Party as detailed. (ii) Hung Hom, 8 a.m. Remainder.

Dress—Nos. 1 and 2 (Armd. C.) Pls. Battle Order. Overalls.

R.T.R. cap will be carried. Topees will be fastened securely to kit bags. Nos. 3 and 5 (M.M.G.) Pls. Battle Order. R.T.R. cap will be carried. Steel helmet will be fastened securely to kit bags. Topees will be worn.

All kit and equipment in the possession of other ranks must be taken to camp. Kit bags will be clearly marked with owners name and neatly stacked by Platoons at Rendezvous immediately on arrival.

Duties:—Orderly Sergts.—24th, Sgt. F. H. Neale and 25th, Sgt. M. G. Carruthers; Orderly Cpl.—24th, Cpl. E. L. Curtis and 25th, Cpl. S. A. Fowler.

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Mon., 26th Aug., H.Q., 8.30 a.m. All day training.

Tues., 27th Aug. L.G. Training. Recruits Squad. Stoppages 3rd position.

Fri., 30th Aug., H.Q., 5.30 p.m. Lecture. Recruits Squad. E.G.D. lowest position.

All outstanding respirators will be returned immediately.

Tues., 27th Aug.: Nos. 5 and 7 (adyen, Pte. H. O. Kees and Pte. B. Hailstone).

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First Aid Lecture. Fri., 30th

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Practical Classes. There will be

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KEEN STRUGGLE IS ANTICIPATED BETWEEN CHINA, UNITED STATES

Deegan Turning Out for America U.S. NAVY PLAYING LEAGUE TO-MORROW

By "Grandstand"

WEATHER PERMITTING two interesting baseball games are slated for the week-end. This afternoon China cross bats with United States of America in the second fray of the International series.

The Stars and Stripes will be represented mostly by players of the U.S.S. Mindanao, plus Doc Molthen, Chuck Waggoner, probably Jimmy Deegan and veteran Ernie Hearther.

From all accounts Deegan is a crack ball player, having made a name for himself on the diamond whilst playing League baseball in Shanghai.

His services with the U.S.A. team will be most welcomed by manager Poochie Chase and no doubt Hong Kong fans will look forward to seeing him in action. Deegan's name was included on the roster of Hong Kong Baseball club this season but for some reason he has not been able to turn out.

Poochie Chase will be banking on his heavy sluggers and batters like Ski Powlowski and Tony Mascavage, and of course "Horse-face" Douglas will be at first base. Rest of the line-up will depend on those who make an appearance.

Tight Game Anticipated

Abe Liu, who is taking charge of the Chinese squad, will be using the bulk of the Chung Hwa team, with Harold Winglee and H. Ali as outsiders. Bill Chang and Nip Lum will most probably be the starting battery with versatile Wally "Daddy" Ching as relief chucker. Grandpop Leung at first base, Al Lau at the midstation, Tuffy Chinn taking care of the hot corner and Wally Ching covering the windy alley completes an air-tight infield. The pastures will be well taken care of by Richard Chung, P. H. Choy, Hank Chang and H. Ali.

Both teams are about of the same standard and a tight game is anticipated from start to finish. The U. S. team are better sluggers than the Chinese, but, on the other hand, Abe Liu's gang are faster on the base paths and are always good in the pinches to squeeze in runs.

It's going to be a game between the Americans' force and Abe Liu's wits and will be worth anybody's 50 cents to watch.

Mike Mendonca, Charlie Figueiredo and Nick Beltrao are the arbiters.

Charity Series

With Doc Molthen, Bischoff and A. Rumjahn officiating, the United States Navy will meet a selection from the Hong Kong League to-morrow in the second of a "give" game series.

With the U.S.S. Asheville in port the blue-jackets will be fielding a much stronger team than they did in the first game and, unless the League field a nine that are really the cream of the crop, the American blue-jackets will have an easy road to victory. The League will be minus the services of two of their heavy slingers in Dave Leonard and Joe Bowen, who, I understand, will be out on volunteer duty.

No line-up is available for either team but Abe Liu will probably use the following players:

Pitchers: Bill Chang and M. Arculli

Catchers: Nip Lum and Harold Winglee

First base: Stan Leonard and Grandpop Leung

Second base: Wally Ching and Al Lau

Third base: Tuffy Chinn and O. Arculli

Shortstop: George Souza and Tony Alves

Outfielders: Ali, Chung, Choy, Jorge and Zinho Gogano.

The U.S.S. Asheville and U.S.S. Mindanao will combine to represent the U.S. Navy, with Joe Harvey probably on the pitching slab.

"THE GREATEST PLAY I'VE EVER SEEN..."

By Frank Yenalivksc

(As told to Hal P. Mills of the Shanghai "China Press.")

In 1927, a year bringing drastic changes to China and Shanghai, I saw that dream of the true baseball fan—a triple play, two-thirds of which was unassisted. Few triple plays have been seen here and I shall never forget that one.

Pioneer Field, one-time scene of many a hard-fought diamond struggle, was the place. It was one of the Far Eastern Olympic games and an all-star Filipino nine was playing the best Hawaiian Chinese team ever seen in action here. Ninth inning and the Chinese were leading by one run, a lead the team was fighting hard to maintain.

Well, sir, the first gentleman to face the Chinese hurler in the Filipino's half of the final stanza, tugged and singled to centre. Under the very eyes of the Chinese pitcher, he purloined second, a wasted move, however, as the next man walked. Possibly pained, the runner on second, then swiped third, gaining the bag with a head-first slide around the wall.

Get the situation? No outs, one run needed to tie the score, two men on the sacks and a hard hitter up, in fact it was the Filipino's clean-up-batter.

The Chinese pitcher, whose name I seem to recall as being Earl Chang, grooved one and a resounding crack informed the world that the Filipino hitter had connected, solidly. High in the air the ball whistled toward third base. The young man from Honolulu playing at the hot corner, same being Irving Li, leaped high in the air, made a wonderful gloved hand catch for the first out, dropped neatly on third base for the second out, and

with lightning-like speed whipped the ball to second base for the third out, ending the game and completing one of the finest bits of baseball it has been my lot to see.

The Hawaiian-Chinese team made a good showing in that Olympic series but failed to win first-honours, the trophy going to the Japanese team.

"LEARNING TO SWIM"

Owing to lack of space, the 11th. of the series of instructional articles on swimming has been held over from today's issue. This will appear in the "Sunday Herald" to-morrow and the concluding article will be published in the "China Mail" on Monday.

TO-NIGHT'S BIG GALA

Notwithstanding the fact that the Colony champion, W. Lawrence, will not be swimming to-night and also that considerable doubt exists as to the ability of the Chung Shing star, Ng Nin, to take part in the distance events, there should be some excellent swimming at European Y.M.C.A. this evening on the occasion of the quadrangular gala between V.R.C., Chung Shing, Lai Tsun and Y.M.C.A.

Most of the leading swimmers from the other clubs will be on view and competition should be keen.

V.R.C. are not so well served in the distance, as they are in the other events, and Lionel Roza Pereira will now turn out in the 220, while C. Silva-Netto may swim the 440. Roza Pereira was not anxious to swim this evening as he wished to give the younger swimmers a chance. The programme will start at 9.15 p.m.



POLICE TO SUPPORT CRICKET LEAGUE

That they would support the League this year if the question arose at the annual meeting of the Cricket League was the sentiment expressed at the annual meeting of the Police cricket section held in the clubhouse, Happy Valley, yesterday.

It was also decided that Police winners of Second Division last season would not apply for promotion, as they are entitled to do, in the event of there being a League this year, as they consider that their ground is not sufficiently good to warrant playing senior matches, and they feel they are not up to First Division standard. T. R. Hunter was elected captain for the coming season, with W. L. "Nobby" Clarke as his understudy. H. Billingham will perform the duties of cricket Hon. Secretary.

It was revealed that W. L. Clarke won the batting averages for last season with an average of 29.2, while C. Pope topped the bowling averages with 10.4 for about 70 wickets against newcomer Lewis' 10.62 for 60 wickets.

The Hon. Mr. T. H. King, who has always been an active supporter of Police cricket, took opportunity afforded by yesterday's meeting to visit the cricket section for well-known of his forthcoming retirement.

GRAPHIC GOLF



NIGHT WAS NO HANDICAP TO BYRON NELSON'S ZEAL TO PERFECT HIS GOLF
O COVERED CUP WITH WHITE HANDKERCHIEF AND PUTTED AWAY

FINE KNOCK BY GASH

A brilliant not-out century—his third this season—by Stan Gash enabled the Police to defeat the Seaforth Highlanders in a friendly cricket match on the former's matting wicket at the Race Course in Shanghai last Sunday afternoon by 82 runs. The Police, batting first, knocked up 204 for nine wickets and then declared. In reply the soldiers could only muster 142, some excellent bowling by Boddy in the latter part of the innings having them all at sea.

Gash, now in the veteran stage, has had an excellent season and it now seems that he is batting better than ever. He was well on top of the attack throughout his innings yesterday and never offered the slightest semblance of a chance. Most of his seventeen boundaries came through pulls and well-timed drives through the covers. He scored his 102 in a trifle over 100 minutes and while at the crease completely dominated the proceedings.

Splendid Hitting

His partnership with Woodley was the most interesting interlude of the day, the pair of them hitting out in splendid fashion to smash the Scots attack completely. Woodley, not as stylish as Gash, but a terrific hitter with a good eye, slashed the soldiers all over the field and in 45 minutes reached the tapes eleven times in a delightful knock of 51.

The Police started in disastrous fashion and in practically no time four wickets were down for the paltry total of twelve runs; Boddy Abbott and Barker all falling victims to Rainey's fast stuff, while Peasgood had his wicket disturbed by Aberdein. At this juncture Woodley was joined by Gash and within a short time this pair asserted themselves to great effect to overcome the attack entirely. They added runs at an alarming pace and with Woodley reaching the tapes on numerous occasions, the fifty mark was passed in quick time. They added 73 runs to reach 85 before Woodley was caught by Atkinson for a splendid 5 which included no less than 11 fours.

Gash Dominates

Gash dominated the rest of the innings and was never in the slightest difficulty. He played the deliveries of all bowlers facing him with the greatest of confidence and was particularly strong on the leg side, his hooks, pulls, and leg-glides being beautifully executed. His shots through the covers, too, produced many runs and he always seemed right on top of the bowling. He eventually reached his third century of the season in exactly 100 minutes and the many spectators on hand were agreed that this was easily his best effort of the current year. He never gave the slightest chance during his long innings and when the innings was closed at 20 for nine wickets, Gash had scored 10 of them in an undefeated knock.

Scores:—
Police C.C.—204 (F. Woodley 51, S. V. Gash 102; Rainey 4 for 62, Aberdein 4 four 76).
Seaforth Highlanders—142 (Capt. MacLagan 37, Bandsman Lissley 33; Boddy 5 for 34, Baker 3 for 45).

on the downstroke and enable a better impact.

Next Article: — Clubhead Speed.
(Released by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

SHANGHAI FREE-STYLING TITLE WON BY BACK-STROKE SWIMMER

A LARGE GALLERY of spectators witnessed some close racing at the Cercle Sportif Francis in Shanghai on Sunday, when five Shanghai Championships together with a number of Club events were successfully run off. The outstanding victory of the evening was that of Mlle. Colette Meadmore who defeated a large field to win the ladies' 50 yards free-style Shanghai championship in 30.3/5 second exactly one second over the existing championship record set by Miss Jacqueline Ball.

Jack Lumsdaine, Shanghai style when he changed over from the free style stroke in the third length of this race and adopted the sensation of the evening when he won the 300 yards men's title well up, and many thought that had he swum the back-stroke for the whole distance he would have won the event. As it was C. L. Huang, a Chinese entry won the 220 yards free style in 2 minutes 44 seconds, with J. L. Lumsdaine coming second and J. A. Figueiredo taking third place.

Grabenchikoff swam a good race to win the men's 200 yard breast-stroke championship in 2 minutes 57 seconds, seven seconds slower than the record set by Dick Hall in his record performance last year.

Lumsdaine created another surprise in the 220 yards men's free-style race when he swam a good race to win the men's 200 yard breast-stroke championship in 2 minutes 57 seconds, seven seconds slower than the record set by Dick Hall in his record performance last year.

BOWLING ALLEY JOTTINGS

BY "STRIKE"

SPENKO and his Tulsa line-up having beaten the Argonauts by 87 pins on August 13, the latter team challenged the victors to a return match, and again Tulsa demonstrated their superiority, on this occasion, winning by 104 pins, notwithstanding the fact that the Argonauts had the services — in place of Hall — of the remarkable Corp. Watts. The individual scores were as follows:—

U.S.S. TULSA ARGONAUTS	
F. Spenko	936
Pete Peterson	810
E. J. Moore	797
A. A. Borg	763
3306	3202
J. H. Watts	919
G. Birkett	801
S. A. Ismaili	783
Jack Gracie	699

The scoring all round was of a high standard and I was certainly impressed with the Argonauts' efforts. The team as a whole is improving, both as regards results and style, and to be only 104 down at the end of the five games against such good bowlers as Spenko and his men is no mean attainment.

Feature of the match was the battle royal between Spenko, for the Tulsa and Watts for the Argonauts, for the highest score for the match. Spenko eventually secured this honour by a margin of 17 pins and was top scorer with 936 or an average of 187 pins per game, while Watts was an easy second with 919 or an average of 184 pins per game.

It was early evident that both players were bent on a real trial of strength, and it was really interesting to follow their progress.

In the first game Spenko secured a good 210, while Watts just failed to make a 200, notching 199 pins, thus giving Spenko a lead of 11 pins on the first game. In the second game it was touch and go: Spenko registered a 202 and Watts a 201 thus leaving Spenko 12 pins in the lead. In the third game, Spenko dropped to 167 pins and Watts secured 172, the difference at this stage being only 7 pins in Spenko's favour. In the fourth game, Spenko registered a 183 and Watts 181, this giving Spenko a nine-pins lead. In the fifth and last game Spenko scored 174 and Watts 166, which gave Spenko his 17-pin margin.

Peterson for Tulsa was third highest score with 810 or an average of 162 pins per game — by no means a poor showing.

Birkett for Argonauts did well to make a good 801 or 160 average per game and is steadily improving. Borg for Tulsa was unfortunate inasmuch that he was just below the 800. He bagged 797 or an average of slightly over 159 pins per game, and I was impressed with his consistency, his lowest score being 144 and his highest 176. This could also be said about Peterson's bowling, his lowest being 146 and his highest 171.

The closeness in the scoring of both matches played by these teams warrants another match, so an occasion will be taken to match them again at an early date.

Up to the time of writing these Jottings the monthly record-board shows the following records:—

TEN PINS

Ladies:	Miss Nancy Ng	185
Men:	H. Blount	245
	D. A. Ayers of Tulsa	149
Men:	Corp. H. Blount	149

BOWLS TEAMS

K. DOCKS

First Division (v Kowloon Bowling Green Away):—	J. Cullen, R. Lapsley, G. Cooper and J. Kempton (skip); A. M. Colman, J. Revile, J. Coleman and J. McKelvie (skip); W. Houston, W. D. Master, M. Ferguson and R. Morrison (skip).
C.S.C.C.	

First Division (v H.K.F.C., home):—	C. J. Walker, W. J. Burling, L. A. Collyer and F. J. Jones (skip); A. Steven, J. Hollidge, J. F. McGowan and A. W. Grinnell (skip); J. Gellatly, D. Hollidge, J. W. Deakin and M. N. Rakusen (skip).
Second Division (v C.C.C., away):—	S. Morris, P. D. Crawley, H. F. Harper and C. Strange (skip); E. W. College, W. D. Gardner, E. W. C. Simmonds and S. Eccleshall (skip); E. Kirmon, A. F. Shepherd, A. B. Allan and W. R. Hillyer (skip).

K.B.G.C.

First Division (v Kowloon Docks, home):—	R. P. Phillips, H. White, L. Guy and A. J. Hall (skip); G. W. Deacon, J. C. Gill, J. G. Meyer and G. H. Sheriff (skip); H. C. Spong, C. Wallis, A. Hyde-Lay and A. M. Holland (skip).
Second Division (v Club de Recreio, home):—	E. F. Pope, V. C. Dixon, F. A. Cheeseman and R. Duncan (skip); L. Sykes, E. Levett, D. W. Waterton and H. Lockhart (skip); A. Morton, E. A. Atkiss, A. Bower and H. E. Drew (skip).
Third Division (v Indian R.C.,	

LAWN BOWLS

SINGULARLY DULL LEAGUE PROGRAMME

By "Skip"

TO-DAY'S lawn bowls programme—and the present weather prospects compel me to add—if any, is about as devoid of interest as any so far this season so my efforts at forecasting should be more successful than usual. "And that is easy", I hear a reader rudely say!

The Champions are "at home" to their "B" team and are not likely to cut things as fine as they did last time when, due chiefly to Jackie Notonha, who beat Spuggy Silva by 10, they won by only seven shots.

Similar remarks apply to the game between Craigengower and Indians at the Valley: I expect

away:—E. Scard, A. Thurston, H. Patrick and S. C. Walker (skip); J. Hurst, L. A. Jordan, C. E. Langley and P. A. Peckham (skip); G. W. Elphick, W. H. Organ, G. S. Hammond and J. S. Dinnen (skip). K.F.C.

Second Division (v Taikoo R.C. Away)—J. Gibson, A. Eastman, R. Hall and Younghusband (skip); W. Groves, C. Pike, C. Dowman and W. Simpson (skip); A. Lapsley, V. Attenza, W. Field and V. Chittenden (skip). TAIKOO R.C.

Second Division (v K.F.C. Home)—W. Cunningham, T. Grimes, J. Watson and R. Keown (skip); R. Main, McArthur, F. Hillion and D. Munro (skip); W. Melrose, C. Bovard, T. Stanton and J. C. Chalmers (skip).

the home team to win very easily. Coates, I see, is back again after his stay in hospital. Kowloon Cricket Club are badly in need of points and may be able to collect them to-day at the expense of the Police, whose sensational victory against the Champions, I have not forgotten. This should be the closest game in the Division.

The Austin Road team have two Third Division players in their side and will have to go all out to beat their old rivals, Kowloon Dock, even at Austin Road, but I think the Civil Servants will not be worried much by Hong Kong Football Club.

"SKIP'S" FORECAST FOR TO-DAY

FIRST DIVISION

Recreo "A"	..... (63)	v Recrelo "B"	..... (56)
Craigengower	..... (58)	v Indian R.C.	..... (52)
Kowloon C.C.	..... (46)	v Police R.C.	..... (61)
Kowloon B.G.C.	..... (—)	v Kowloon Docks (—)
Civil Service	..... (69)	v Hong Kong F.C.	..... (61)

SECOND DIVISION

Craigengower	..... (62)	v Civil Service	..... (59)
Taikoo	..... (49)	v Kowloon F.C.	..... (62)
Kowloon B.G.C.	..... (55)	v Club de Recreio	..... (51)
Kowloon Tong	..... (—)	v Hong Kong C.C. (—)
Police R.C.	..... (41)	v Kowloon C.C.	..... (76)

THIRD DIVISION

H.K. Electric	..... (—)	v Hong Kong F.C. (—)
Prison Officers' Club	..... (—)	v Hong Kong C.C. (—)
Indian R.C.	..... (—)	v Kowloon B.G.C. (—)

Figures in bracket denote the result of the first game this season.

Second Division

My opinion of Craigengower's prospects against the Civil Servants, in Second Division, is indicated by the fact that I have tipped them as being one of the three biggest winners, though neither team is at full strength.

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Kowloon Cricket Club, present leaders, will have to

take their game against Club de Recreio very seriously or they may be surprised.

Kowloon Tong should be able to overcome Hong Kong Cricket Club without any difficulty and they may even touch sweep money, whilst Kowloon Cricket Club must assuredly bring the points away from Police Club.

Likely winners in Third Division are Hong Kong Electric, Prison Officers, who looked a certainty, and Kowloon Bowlers Green Club.

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ITALIAN ULTIMATUM TO GREECE DENIED

Tension Between Countries Not Relaxed Italy's Tactical Advantage

THE REPORT THAT Italy has sent a 24-hour ultimatum to Greece demanding her renunciation of the British guarantee is officially denied in Rome.

The Stefani News Agency, which publishes the denial, adds: "Neither is anything known of the supposed British occupation of the islands of Corfu and Candia."

"If Greece were to put her territory or waters at the disposal of Britain for action against Italy, Italy would reply with adequate measures."

Although Italy has denied the report that an ultimatum has been sent to the Greek Government calling for renunciation of the guarantee, there has been no relaxation of the tension in the relations between the two governments.

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent points out that there are certain tactical advantages from the Italian standpoint to be gained from basing the quarrel on alleged Albanian grievances. Italian national prestige is not immediately involved and pressure can be increased or dropped according to the political needs of the moment.—Reuter.

Greek Replies

Reuter's Athens correspondent says that the Greek Press is replying to the attacks of the Italian Press and Fascist-controlled newspapers in Albania regarding the alleged persecution of the Albanian minority.

800 MORE CHILDREN REACH CANADA

Eight hundred British children arrived at an eastern Canadian port in a liner yesterday.—Reuter.

BRITISH PURCHASE

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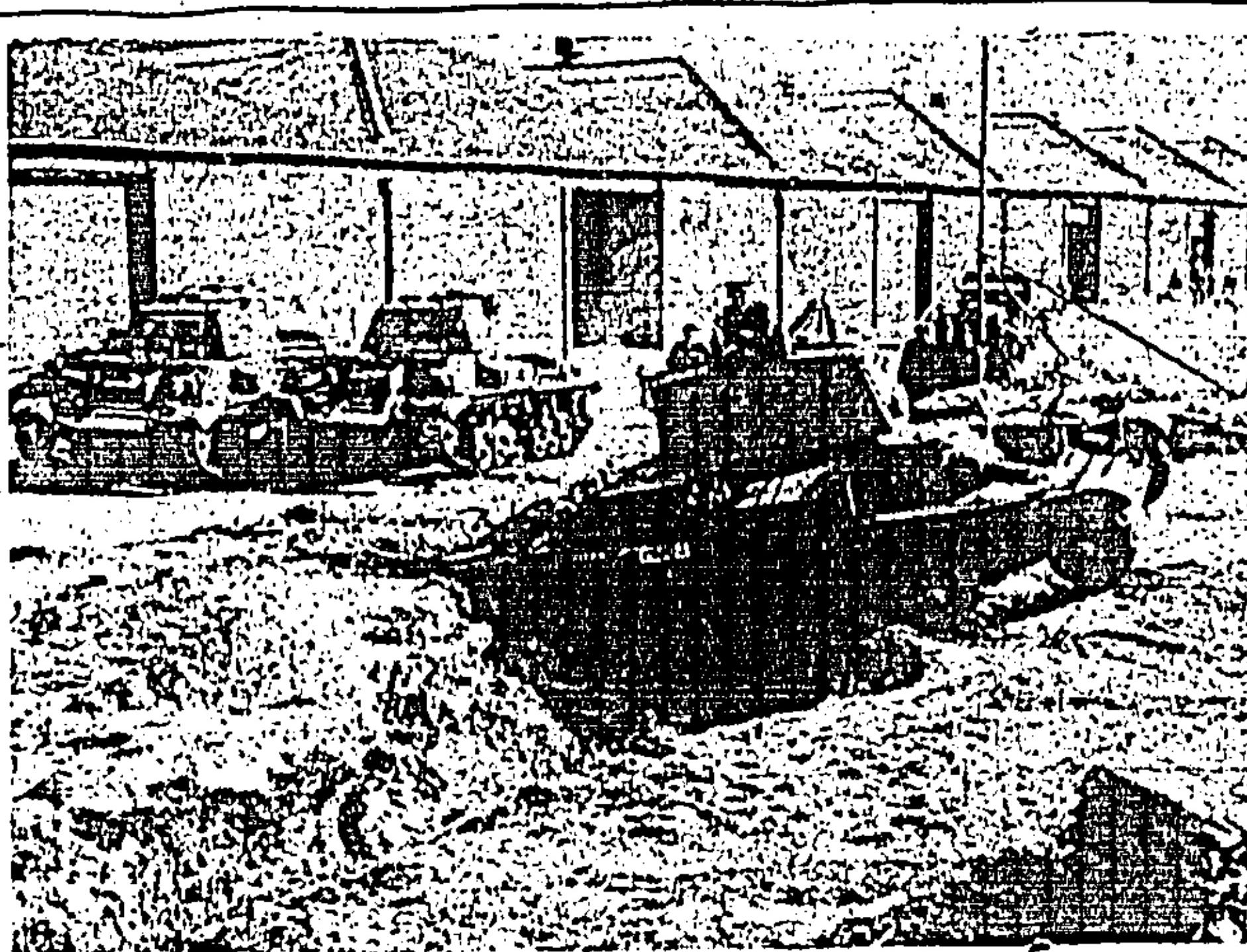
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KONOYE ONE-PARTY COMMITTEE

A COMMITTEE OF 26, TO ORGANISE THE SINGLE PARTY IN WHICH ALL PREVIOUS GROUPS IN THE DIET WILL BE MERGED, HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED BY THE PREMIER, PRINCE KONOYE.

The committee includes representatives of the House of Peers, House of Representatives and Right Wing patriotic organisations, including the famous Black Dragon Society.

The committee also includes representatives of the press, including the presidents of the Domei news agency and three leading Tokyo newspapers.—Reuter.

PRESIDENT WANTS EARLY CONSCRIPTION

President Roosevelt told the press in Washington yesterday he personally was absolutely opposed to postponement of compulsory military training until next year.

New increments of man power were needed, the President said, so that they might learn to use modern fighting equipment already on hand.

He added Congress had been talking about conscription since June 20 and if the Bill providing for it were not enacted in the next week or so there would be a real delay in the defence programme.—Reuter.

NAZI TOURIST OFFICE IN N.Y. SUSPECT

THE GERMAN TOURIST INFORMATION OFFICE IN NEW YORK HAS BEEN ORDERED TO PRODUCE ALL RECORDS AND FILES NEXT WEEK BEFORE THE DIESB CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE INVESTIGATING UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES.

A subpoena has been served on Ernst Schmidt, general manager of the office.

The order coincides with a full page story in a newspaper alleging that the Tourist Office is in reality a propaganda office for the Nazis.—Reuter.

CAMPAIGN MAINTAINED AT FULL PITCH

Rome. Radio last night alleged that the Greek authorities had "committed another murder" in Albania.

The broadcaster quoted the Albanian newspaper "Tomorri" which stated that a man had been found hanged to death. It was described as suicide but later investigation brought information which changed this picture.

—Reuter.

DEFENCE BOARD MEETING TO-DAY

President Roosevelt has summoned a meeting for to-day of the 11 American members of the United States-Canada Defence Board.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

Recent reports, of Japanese origin, alleging the occurrence of a clash between Chinese and French troops on the Indo-China border were branded by well-informed diplomatic circles in Chungking as fairy tales.

The rumours in question suggested that Chinese detachments, in an attempt to cross into Indo-China territory were thrown back by the French in an engagement, over which, the reports alleged, the Indo-China authorities had protested with the Chinese Government.

"As you can see," diplomatic circles stated, "most of these dispatches were issued directly by the Japanese Domei News Agency or came from Hanoi and Vichy of Japanese sources. The implication is clear; the Japanese must build up pretexts to justify any Japanese military incursion into Indo-China territory when the incursion is made."—Central News.

First explosion of a mine in local waters for some time occurred off Cheung Chau on Wednesday night, it was revealed this morning.

Many windows at the police station were smashed by the concussion.

There was no other damage in the island.

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